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BRIEF ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT TOWN

Mrs. Edward Ward is ill at her home on Washington avenue with scarlet fever.

Mrs. H. O. Stevens from Littleton, N. H., is spending the holiday season at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Lowd.

The passageway leading from Park street by the Andover steam laundry to Postoffice avenue has been closed to the public.

Plans are under way for a tournament in whist, bowling, billiards, etc., to take place among the members of the Andover club.

Miss Edith H. Johnson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Warren L. Johnson, who is a student at Mt. Holyoke, is at home for the holidays.

Miss Margaret Anderson is spending the Christmas holidays at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. James Anderson, of Essex street.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Berry were present at a whist party held Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. Orris Rea in North Andover.

Several Andover people attended the rendering of the "Messiah" by the Handel and Hayden society in Boston on Sunday and Monday evenings.

The next tournament in the series which is being held between the Andover club and the North Andover club will take place January 6, at North Andover.

The engagement of Arthur G. Clark and Miss Louise G. Goldsmith, who have been so closely identified with Andover through the Gift Shop, has been announced.

Eric Starbuck is visiting at the home of his mother in Chapman Court. Mr. Starbuck is at present an instructor in the Westminster School at Simsbury, Conn.

Christmas eve will be observed in the West church by a Christmas tree, recitations, and choruses, Christmas stories, violin, cornet and piano solos. Santa Claus has also engaged to be present.

Superintendent S. C. Hutchinson was one of the party of thirty superintendents who recently visited the Essex County Training School and investigated the Industrial School system of Lawrence.

Attention was called to an error in last week's Townsman in regard to the name of one of the Goldsmith prize winners. The name should have been given as Miss Annie May Platt, '13.

Clyde Martin, manager of the Phillips Academy football team, reports that the total receipts for the season of 1909 were \$3650.73, and the total expenses were \$3106.91, leaving a balance of \$543.82.

The engagement has been announced of Miss Susan Thayer of Hingham and Walter McKenney of Macon, Ga. Miss Thayer is well known in town as a kindergarten teacher in the public schools.

Professor William H. Pickering, professor of astronomy at Harvard, Mrs. Pickering and Miss Pickering, and Mrs. Munro of Lexington spent the week-end at the house party given by Mr. and Mrs. William Wood at Arden.

Miss Julia H. Gulliver, daughter of Professor Gulliver, formerly an instructor in Andover Theological Seminary, has lately received notice of her election as an officer of the French Academy. Miss Gulliver is a graduate of the first class at Smith and now president of Rockford college in Illinois.

About fifty were present at the first ladies' night of the Andover club which was held last Friday night. The entertainment was furnished by Kendall, the monologist, of Boston, and a very pleasant entertainment it was. A collation was served by Caterer Rhodes and dancing followed, with music by the Columbian orchestra.

About 150 couples were in attendance from Andover and the surrounding cities at the first annual dance held under the auspices of the Andover A. A. Association football team in the town hall Friday night. The Bay State orchestra of Lawrence furnished the music for dancing and Caterer F. P. Higgins served the refreshments during intermission.

The entire student body and faculty, members of the last four classes and several members of the athletic advisory committee were present at the football reception held last Friday evening in Punchard hall. Speeches were made by Principal Curtis, Rev. Frederic Palmer, Rev. F. R. Shipman, William Odlin, Eric Starbuck, Frank L. Smith, Coach Davis, ex-Captain James G. Anderson and Captain Lester Towne. Later in the evening dancing was enjoyed.

The annual meeting of the Parish club of Christ church was held last week in the parish house. An excellent supper, served by Caterer Rhodes was enjoyed by all, after which informal speeches were made by the Rev. R. LeB. Lynch, Rev. Frederic Palmer, William Odlin and Dr. A. Hulme. This was followed by the reports of the various officers for the past year, after which the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: President, Rev. R. LeB. Lynch; vice-president, William Odlin; treasurer, Dr. Albert E. Hulme; secretary, Nesbit G. Gleason; executive committee, Harry G. Tyer, J. Tyler Kimball, Harry Sellars and the officers ex officio.

The furnace at the Hillside alleys was recently repaired.

The regular meeting of the Rebeccas was held Monday evening.

Harry Dyer, who is studying in Connecticut, is home for the holidays.

Election of officers will be held at the A. O. U. W. meeting next Monday evening.

William Lindsay went fishing at Martin's Pond on Tuesday, catching two pickerel.

George I. Rhodes returned from New York Thursday night to spend Christmas in town.

Miss Lillian Stack, a student at the Salem Normal school, is enjoying her annual Christmas recess.

Roy W. Lindsay of Buffalo, N. Y., is at the home of his parents on Summer street for a week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Morse have moved into the house on High street recently built by William J. Doherty.

Miss Etta Symonds will be among those who will return to Andover to spend Christmas with friends and relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Dana Chase of Wolcott avenue will entertain at their guests tomorrow, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Coutts of Lawrence.

Florence McCreadie, who has been at Wellesley this year is passing her Christmas vacation at the home of her mother on Whittier street.

George Morse and family have left the house owned by H. S. Wright and have gone into the cottage recently vacated by Fred Collins.

The Echo club of the Baptist church held a meeting last Monday evening. The regular business was transacted and refreshments served.

The meeting of the Degree of Honor which should come this evening has been postponed to next Tuesday evening, owing to the Christmas season.

On Friday evening, December 31st, the Christmas entertainment of the South church Sunday school will take place. The hours will be from 3.00 to 5.00.

Mr. and Mrs. Cook, (formerly Miss Helena Lindsay,) are expected to be in Andover tomorrow, at the home of Mrs. Cook's father, Adam Lindsay on Washington avenue.

In the game of basketball which took place last Saturday between the Royals, a team from Mitchell Academy, the Royals were defeated by a score of 33 to 20.

Frank P. Higgins, the well known local baker, has installed a lunch counter in his shop which will be a great convenience to all, especially to those who are in the habit of waiting for the trolleys.

Dandelion blossoms, three of them, fullblown and healthy, were given to a representative of the Townsman, Tuesday, December 21. They had been picked from a lawn in front of a family home on Chestnut street the same morning.

The Christmas festival for all members of the Baptist church, congregation, and Sunday school, will be held at the Baptist church, Friday evening, December 24. Supper at 6.45. Entertainment and distribution of presents to follow.

The manager of Wonderland has arranged a fine treat for his patrons next week. He will present the "Passion Play" during the entire week and those who saw it when it was here a short time ago will be glad to witness it again, and take their friends to see it.

Miss Isa L. Jackson has resigned her position as teacher of the sixth and seventh grades in the Bradlee school. Miss Isabelle M. Towle of Belfast, Me., has been secured to fill the position. Miss Towle is a graduate of the Farmington, (Me.) Normal school, and has had ten years of successful experience.

There will be no services at the Chapel next Sunday.

The John-Esther art gallery will not be open on Saturday, Christmas day.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hill of Lynn will spend tomorrow with friends in town.

William Brown of Smith & Manning's will spend Christmas Day in Revere.

The programs for the special Christmas services of the various churches will be found in another column.

The children of Christ church Sunday school will hold their Christmas festival this evening at seven o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. George Caldwell of Washington avenue will entertain friends from Lowell on Christmas Day.

The Courteous Circle will meet at the South church on Tuesday evening at 7.45. The annual election of officers will be held.

At the next meeting of the Rebekah lodge which will be held January 3, 1910, the election of officers will take place, followed by a supper.

On Friday, several members of Gen. William F. Bartlett W. R. C. went to the Soldiers' Home in Chelsea where they re-furnished the Andover room in that institution.

A skating party composed of Andoverites took advantage of the fine condition of the ice and went to Martin's Pond Tuesday evening where a good time was enjoyed.

The Metropolitan will be open Saturday morning until eleven o'clock for the benefit of those who may have forgotten to make necessary purchases.

A handsome souvenir free at Allen's drug store while they last. With any purchase of Christmas goods amounting to fifty cents or over, you will receive a handsome glass calendar free.

The regular monthly meeting of the Andover Natural History society was held in the school committee room at eight o'clock Tuesday evening, with Pres. M. E. Gutterman in the chair.

The Christmas celebration of the Free church Sunday school will take place this evening. There will be an illustrated lecture on "The Childhood of Jesus," a Christmas tree, and distribution of gifts.

The Women's Union of the South church will hold one of its interesting quarterly meetings on Thursday at three. Mrs. W. B. D. Gray of Cheyenne, Wyoming will be the speaker, and Mrs. Frederick Moore will sing. Mrs. Gray will be remembered for the thrilling story of home missionary life which she told here a few years ago.

This meeting was conducted by the historical department, of which Rev. F. E. Wilson is chairman. Mr. Wilson was unable to attend and secured Mrs. Charles Carter to prepare a paper on the Samuel Phillips family, noted for having been the founders of Phillips Academy. Mrs. Carter also gave reminiscences of the burning of the old Mansion House in 1887, which was built by Samuel Phillips (5).

A very beautiful Christmas service was held at the South Church Sunday evening by the Courteous Circle of the King's Daughters. It was entitled "The Christ Child in Picture, Song, and Story." A collection of beautiful stereoscopic pictures based upon the story of the nativity were shown and Mrs. Charles Walworth of Lawrence read a charming little Christmas allegory written by her. Miss Lillian Pike and Miss Mary Erving ably contributed several vocal selections to the program in which they were assisted by Frederick G. Moore on the organ and Miss Mira B. Wilson on the violin. The entire service was delightful, and especially so, coming as it did on the very threshold of Christmas week.

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Worcester, Mass., Dec. 23.—Wallace E. Tillinghast silenced to an extent the sceptics who have scoffed at his claims for a marvelous aeroplane he invented when he circled Worcester in his mysterious airship for two hours last night.

Nearly 1000 persons in various parts of the city saw the big aeroplane as it sped rapidly through the air at a height judged to be from 1500 to 2000 feet.

Since Tillinghast claimed recently that he had made a flying trip from Worcester to New York, then to Boston and back to Worcester, the night of Sept. 8, his pretensions have come in for much ridicule, and it is believed the flight last night was planned to put to blush his critics.

The mysterious airship was first sighted in the southwest, bound for Worcester, and it was at first thought that the headlight on the front of the machine was a star. As the machine approached the center of the city, those standing on the streets could plainly see a long object trailing behind it, with two dark forms, believed to be men, in the center near the searchlight.

Tillinghast put in his first appearance about 6:40, coming over the city from the direction of Millbury. He then sailed over city hall, State Mutual building, and then out toward Greendale, where he was seen by the farmers and the men working on the Boston and Maine railroad at that place.

Then he circled about the city several times and speeded toward Spencer at a good rate of speed. It was thought that Tillinghast had probably gone off for another record trip.

In less than an hour the inventor with his machine was back over the city again, circling about. The airship finally stopped over the State Mutual building, and here the mysterious craft could be seen quite plainly. Then Tillinghast sailed off again towards Greendale, made another circle in the air and sailed back over the building and on towards Spencer.

A peculiarity of Tillinghast's flight over the city was the height to which the aviator rose and remained, and it is thought that his object in doing this was to keep out of sight as much as possible. In this he was quite successful, for it was almost impossible to distinguish any lines of his mysterious craft, it appearing only as a long, dark object with a bright light at its head, but at times it could be seen that there was more than one human form in the center of the craft, and the noise of the eight-cylinder engine which he claims to have in the aeroplane or monoplane of his own invention, could be heard on the streets.

It was reported at Spencer and at Marlboro that Tillinghast and his airship were seen sailing over that town and city respectively shortly before 9 o'clock.

Tillinghast did not take his automobile last night, as has been the custom on the night trips, but evidently slipped quietly out of town by way of the Union station.

FOURTH TIME SUCCESSFUL

Damages Awarded For Loss of an Arm in a Sausage Machine

Cambridge, Mass., Dec. 23.—Charles W. Boyd was awarded a verdict of \$2700 in the Middlesex superior court by a jury. It was the fourth trial of a suit which the plaintiff brought against the Park Sausage and Provision company of Boston, to recover \$10,000 for the loss of his left arm, which he claimed was cut off by a sausage machine of the defendant in October, 1901.

North Adams Goes "Wet"
North Adams, Mass., Dec. 22.—This city re-elected Mayor Waterhouse, Republican, and voted to continue the license sale of intoxicating liquors by the greatest majority in recent years.

Boys Go Through Thin Ice
Cranston, R. I., Dec. 23.—Attempting to cross Spectacle pond on thin ice, Leroy J. Linkletter, aged 11, and Charles Glasner, aged 10, broke through and were drowned.

Lorton Confirmed Without Opposition
Washington, Dec. 21.—The senate confirmed the nomination of Horace H. Lorton of Tennessee for associate justice of the supreme court. No opposition appeared.

Menelik Not Yet Dead
Addis Ababa, Abyssinia, Dec. 23.—The Ethiopian government has given official assurance that King Menelik still lives, though his condition is grave.

BACON IS CONFIRMED

Former Secretary of State Will Be Ambassador to France
Washington, Dec. 22.—The senate confirmed the nomination of former Secretary of State Robert Bacon of New York, to be ambassador to France.



ROBERT BACON.

Senator Root, by his activities on the floor before the executive session, dissipated all of the objections that had been raised against Bacon and no opposition whatever appeared.

All of the other diplomatic nominations which were sent to the senate were confirmed.

"MARTYRS" GET MEDALS

Shirtwaist Strikers Are Honored Upon Release From Prison

New York, Dec. 23.—Cheered and praised like the suffragette jail martyrs in England, seven girl shirtwaist strikers, who have served terms of five days each on Blackwell's island for disorderly conduct during the strike, were decorated with bronze medals last night in the presence of 3000 enthusiastic followers in an East Side hall. The medals were given by the Women's Trade Union league.

Three Vassar girls took part in the ceremony. The martyr recipients of the medals told of their experiences on the island and urged the strikers to stand firm.

DEATH CLAIMS

SENATOR M'LAURIN

Passes Away Suddenly In His Home In Mississippi

Jackson, Miss., Dec. 23.—United States Senator Anselm J. McLaurin died suddenly last night of heart disease at his home in Brandon while seated in front of the fireplace in his library. A few moments before his death McLaurin said he was feeling better than he had felt at any time since his recent severe illness, resulting from ptomaine poisoning.

Senator McLaurin was a lawyer. He served through the Civil war in the Confederate army. He was born March 26, 1848, at Brandon, Miss., and was reared on a farm. Seven children survive him.

The senator believed in the south, her resources and her future and he never failed to rise to her defense in the senate chamber when she was assailed.

Settlement of Big Strike Near Barre, Vt., Dec. 23.—A settlement of the granite cutters' strike and lock-out, which has kept 5000 men idle for five weeks, is said to be in sight.

IN BOSTON MARKETS

Butter—Choice northern creamery, 32¢@33¢; western creamery, 31¢@32¢; jobbing quotations, 1¢@2¢ higher.

Cheese—Choice New York state, 16¢@17¢; Vermont, 16¢@16¢. Eggs—Choice henry and nearby, 41¢@43¢; eastern extras, 37¢@39¢; western, 28¢@34¢; refrigerators, 23¢@24¢.

Apples—Fancy Baldwins, 33¢@35.00; No. 1, 32.50¢@33; northern spy, 32¢@33; greenings, 22¢@3; russets, 1.50¢@2.50.

Potatoes—\$1.20@1.25 bag for Arrowroot and \$1.25@1.30 bag for western Maine; sweet potatoes, \$1.50@2 barrel for eastern shore and \$2.50@3 for Jerseys.

Fresh meats—Beef, choice, 9¢@10¢; good, 8¢@9¢; mutton, extra western, 9¢@10¢; yearlings, good to choice western, 8¢@9¢; lambs, springers, choice heavy, 13¢@14¢; light, 13¢; veal, choice, 13¢@15¢.

Poultry—Northern turkeys, 30¢@32¢; native broilers, 23¢@25¢; northern fowl, 18¢@19¢ for large and 16¢@17¢ for medium; geese, northern, 16¢@18¢; native pigeons, 1.50¢@2 doz.

The current jobbing prices on truck are as follows: Celery, white, 60¢@85¢ doz; onions, native, 70¢@85¢ box; turkeys, yellow, \$1@1.25 bbl; white, 60¢@75¢ box; white capes, \$1.50@2 bag; squash, marrow, \$1.25@1.50 bbl; turban, \$1.50@1.75 bbl; Hubbard, \$20@35 ton; pumpkins, 50¢@75¢ box; cabbage, drumhead, \$1@1.25 bbl; Savoy, \$1@1.25 bbl; red, 75¢@81¢ box; parsley, \$1@1.25 box; beets, 60¢@75¢ box; carrots, 65¢@85¢ box; parsnips, 75¢@81¢ box; radishes, \$1@1.25 box; spinach, native, 50¢@60¢ box; cucumbers, 14¢@8 box; eggplants, 33¢@35 crate; okra, 25¢@50 3 crate; Brussels sprouts, 10¢@12¢ 4 qt; lettuce, 40¢@55¢ box; mint, 50¢@75¢ doz; cress, 50¢@60¢ doz; romaine, \$1@1.25 box; escarole, 50¢@61 doz; chicory, 50¢@61 doz; leeks, 60¢@75¢ doz.

THE GRANGE

Conducted by
J. W. BARROW, Chatham, N. Y.
From Correspondent New York State Grange

A LIVE INSTITUTION.

Center County Pomona Grange of Pennsylvania Does Things.

It Has a Fire Insurance Company, Has Organized Its Own Fair Association and Operates a Patrons' Rural Telephone Company With Fourteen Branch Organizations and Is Now Talking About a Grange Bank.

Thirty-four years ago Center county Pomona grange of Pennsylvania was organized. During those years it has established several business enterprises such as those named in the heading of this article. First the Grange Fire Insurance company was organized in the spring of 1876, with an insurance of \$206,000, and was incorporated by the state under the laws governing insurance companies. The plans for its government were drawn by its own membership, so that there is not a rule or law that has not been devised and perfected by the county grange.

Its sole purpose is to insure the most humble as well as the most affluent member who has a home that the Order has pledged itself to protect. The company has now been in active operation for thirty-three years and carries an insurance of \$6,270,942 at an average cost of 21 cents per \$100 of actual insurance for thirty-three years, which is 12 cents less per \$100 than the average cost in all mutual companies doing business in Pennsylvania for the same period and from 2 to 7 cents less per \$100 than the average cost in all other companies doing business in Center county for the same length of time. The average cost in all mutual companies doing business in Pennsylvania for the last year was 49 cents per \$100 of insurance.

"Our company," says the grange editor of the National Stockman, "has paid to distressed Patrons who lost their homes by fire since its organization in 1876 \$150,445.23. It is doubtful whether any other fraternal organization has contributed a larger amount for relief of its distressed membership during the same period of time."

A Big Grange Fair.

In 1891 the county grange purchased twenty-eight acres of land at Center Hall, which were converted into a park, and now has one of the finest fair grounds in Pennsylvania. This association has no debt and pays all its fair premiums in cash. The county grange has also helped to organize and capitalize other business enterprises in the interests of the Order, besides holding stock in national banks that are worth in the market \$140 per share and ten shares in building and loan associations that are now worth \$77 per share. It also holds shares of stock in fourteen branch telephone companies.

Patrons' Rural Telephone Company.
Then the county grange took up another enterprise which has been carried forward with marked success. In 1905 it organized the Patrons' Rural Telephone company, which has now under its management fourteen branch companies, with an estimated paid up capital of \$6,000 under an incorporated company with an authorized capital of \$10,000, and has upward of 250 phones in use on its lines, giving service to its members at from \$5 to \$7 less per instrument than that given by the old line companies, all brought about in the short period of three years by the united and loyal support of the membership of the Order.

And, lastly, the grange is considering the organization of a co-operative grange bank.

What Is the Grange?

Here is a good, short, comprehensive answer to the question which has been asked thousands of times and through all the forty-three years of its existence. "What is the grange?" The grange is a fraternal organization of farmers to secure educational, social, financial and legislative benefits, national in scope, nonpartisan in politics, but truly patriotic; seeking to develop the highest standards of citizenship; nonsectarian in religion, but having its high ideals of morality founded on the teachings of the Bible; including in its membership not only the farmer, but his family; seeking to restore agriculture to the place assigned it by the Father of his Country as "the most healthful, the most useful and the noblest calling of man."

When Do Grange Dues Begin?

We are asked when a member should begin paying dues—at time of initiation or later. In New York he begins with the month succeeding the one in which he takes his first degree. The dues of charter members likewise begin the month following that in which the grange was organized. The subordinate grange does not pay dues to the state grange on a member until the quarter following that in which he was received into the grange, but does pay dues to the state grange on any names dropped during the quarter by demit or expulsion.

The Grange Did It.

It has been estimated by persons who have made a study of the subject that real estate values in rural districts have increased \$750,000,000 since the establishment of the rural free delivery system.

LOVERS' BOWER.

By F. A. MITCHEL.
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Out of Lake Maggiore, in northern Italy, rises a sheer rock to a height of several hundred feet. On a park where the enlivened slopes in an estate acquired by the Peretti family during the middle ages, when Italian territory was being divided up between the gentlemen robbers of that period. The stronghold built by Peretti is now a ruin, and of this little remains. Yet one may climb the ascent from it to the summit of the rock, proceeding here and there over short spaces of the old path by which the Peretti frequently ascended to hurl missiles down on an attacking foe. There remain on the path a few weather beaten stones which tradition calls "Lovers' bower."

Of all the daughters of the house of Peretti, Bianca, who lived at a time when the Borgias were eminent at Rome, was the most beautiful and the most celebrated. Report said that her heart was as cold as her face was heavenly. Indeed, there were whisperings that danger lurked under her snowy bosom as the bee is hidden within the flower. Several young nobles who had met her at foreign courts traveled to her home on Lake Maggiore to propose for her hand. There they met misfortune. One was said to have fallen ill of a fever, and, although the barber on the Peretti estate let nearly all the blood out of his body in an effort to save him, the young man died. Another was said to have left the castle as a storm was rising. His boat was wrecked, and he was drowned. It was rumored that a third suitor had been accidentally killed in fencing with the lady he wooed, she having declared that she would marry him if he could vanquish her with the foil. But there were those who averred that this man was sent to his death purposely by the icy hearted Bianca.

Whatever of truth there was in these sinister reports, certain it is that none of these three young men ever returned from the wooing. Then Pietro Calceoni, count of Malpaga, who had just succeeded to his family estates, met Bianca at Rome, fell under her spell and begged her to marry him. She replied that she would give him his answer at her father's castle on Lake Maggiore, where he was invited to be her guest the following month at the full of the moon.

The young count was warned to disregard the invitation and keep away from one whose suitors had been, to say the least, so unlucky. But no one on whom Bianca smiled could ever be induced to heed a warning. Pietro could barely wait for the days to elapse when he should visit the girl he loved—to be made happy, he believed—and the moon was no sooner half full than he set out from Rome on his journey northward. Reaching the lower end of the lake, he embarked and soon saw the rock of the Peretti looming up ahead of him. He was received by Count Peretti, Bianca's father, and entertained sumptuously.

After dining Pietro drew Bianca away on to a terrace and begged for her reply. "I will give it," she said, "on the summit of the rock." Daring forward, she led the way in the mingled twilight and moonlight to the path, which zigzagged upward. Pietro followed and was soon started on a mad chase. The girl, light as a bird, kept always the lead. The lover now and again looked up to see her on the road ahead, which to gain height had been turned in an opposite direction. She gazed down on him, an enchanting witchery in her eyes. Though he hurried to his utmost ability, he could never catch her. One moment he would be looking out on to the blue lake, the silhouette mountains and the full pale orb beyond. The next his glance would meet those eyes that were lifting him as the moon draws the ocean. And all the while within him was a fever that was consuming him. At times when he turned a sharp angle in the path his brain reeled, and he was like to fall hundreds of feet below. But there, always above him, was that beautiful face to steady him, and, grasping the guard rail, he stumbled on.

At last the top was reached, a pinnacle of circular rock. And there, in the depths of Lovers' bower, reflecting the moon, were two bright eyes. The count approached, and Bianca shrank back. His hand touched hers. A thrill shot to his very heart.

There remains a fragment of the slab with the two stone supports on which Bianca Peretti and Pietro Calceoni sat side by side.

"Oh, Bianca," cried Pietro. "Have you brought me to this pinnacle the easier to lift me into heaven?"

She rose and, walking hand in hand with him, advanced to the edge of the cliff. Twice she paused and directed his gaze to the entrancing scene above, about, beneath them, and thrice again she turned those witch eyes upon his. Then, standing with him on the verge, she suddenly stepped back and gave him a push.

Men in the little boat below, which by this time had approached the cliff, saw the moon glitter on something—doubtless an ornament worn by the count—falling from the summit of the Peretti rock and heard a splash. Pulling in the direction from which the sound came, they drew a dead body from the lake.

There is no record of any subsequent wooing of Bianca Peretti. A mystery hangs over her end. It is written that she suffered death for the murder of Count Calceoni, and it is written that she married one of the most powerful robber barons in Italy.

Collector's Notice

OFFICE OF THE COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Andover, Mass., Dec. 24, 1909.

The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate, situated in the Town of Andover, in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public are hereby notified that the taxes thereon severally assessed for the years hereinafter specified according to the list committed to me as Collector of Taxes for said town by the assessors of taxes remain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of said land sufficient to satisfy said taxes, with interests and all legal costs and charges, or the whole of said land if no person offers to take an undivided part thereof, will be offered for sale by Public Auction, at the office of the Collector in the Town House, in said Andover, on

Saturday January 15, 1910

at 2 o'clock p. m., for the payment of said taxes, together with interest, costs and charges thereon unless the same shall be previously discharged.

The sums set against the descriptions of the several estates show the amounts due thereon respectively for the tax and assessments for the non-payment of which each of said estates is to be sold, not including costs and interest thereon and costs and charges incident to this sale.

William J. Hardy—West District—Two certain parcels of land, with the buildings thereon, situated in said Andover, and there bounded and described viz:—The first parcel, the Home Place, so called, bounded by northerly by lands of Bradley Pearson and John Webster, now or once, easterly by lands of Miles Flint, now or once and Bradley Pearson now or once, and westerly by lands of Samuel Bailey, Luther Twiss and Marcus Moore now or once. The second parcel is bounded, northerly by lands of Henry Hardy and John Hardy, now or once, southerly by land of Bradley Pearson, now or once, easterly by lands of Bradley Pearson and John Hardy, now or once, and westerly by lands of John Hardy and heirs of Simon Hardy, now or once. Said second parcel is known as the Hitchcock Lot. Recorded in North District Essex Registry of Deeds at Lawrence in deed of Harrison H. Hardy et al., to said William J. Hardy.

These taxes are for the years 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908 and the total amount is one hundred eighty-two dollars and thirty-four cents (\$182.34).

MICHAEL FOX—South District

"A certain lot of land situated in said Andover, on the westerly and northerly side of the road leading from Justin Carter's to the Old Boston Road, it being the place formerly owned by Theodore A. Gibbs, and is bounded as follows: Beginning at the northeasterly corner at a stake and stones at land of Stephen D. Abbott and the aforesaid road, thence southerly and westerly by said road about thirty-seven (37) rods to land of Nathan B. Abbott, now or once, thence northerly by said Abbott land, now or once, about fifteen (15) rods to the end of a wall at land now or once of Stephen D. Abbott, thence northeasterly and easterly, as the fence now stands, by land now or once of Stephen D. Abbott to a stake and stones, at the first corner bound. Containing three (3) acres more or less. Recorded in North District Essex Registry of Deeds at Lawrence Book 78 Page 25.

These taxes are for the years 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908 and the total amount is three dollars and thirty-eight cents (\$3.38).

JAMES A. CREGG—South District

A certain lot of land situated in Andover in the Village of Ballardvale, bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning about one hundred and sixty-two feet from Chester Street, on the line of a proposed new street called Moody Street, by land of John Gill, southwesterly, eighty (80) feet to land of Ambrose Henbury, thence by Henbury's land northerly, one hundred seventy feet to land of Herbert A. Moody, thence northeasterly by said Moody's land to proposed new street eighty feet, thence by line of said street one hundred and seventy feet to point of beginning. Containing 3,600 square feet or less. These taxes are for the years 1905, 1906, 1907, and 1908 and the total amount is three dollars and thirty-eight cents (\$3.38).

HORACE P. LADD—South District

A certain parcel of land situated in that part of Andover known as Ballardvale, being lot numbered "2" on plan made by John W. Morrison dated, September 1st, 1890, bounded on the front by line of Andover and Lawrence roads, called, sixty-five (65) feet, thence southerly one hundred (100) feet, thence westerly sixty-five (65) feet, thence northerly one hundred (100) feet to point of beginning, containing 6500 square feet of land. Recorded in Essex North Registry of Deeds at Lawrence Book 738 Page 221e. These taxes are for the years 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908 and the total amount is five dollars and seven cents (\$5.07).

GEORGE P. THRESHER—South District

One and one-quarter acres of land, more or less, Lots number 226, 232, 238, 261, 263, 280, 285, 286, 288 on "The Plains" at Ballardvale, and more fully described on a plan filed in Book 42, at the Essex North Registry of Deeds, Lawrence, Mass.

These taxes are for the years 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908 and the total amount is twenty-eight dollars and seventy cents (\$28.70).

JOHN T. POTTER—South District

One-quarter acre of land, more or less, Lots number 234, 235, on "The Plains" at Ballardvale and more fully described on a plan filed in Book No. 42 at the Essex North Registry of Deeds, Lawrence, Mass.

These taxes are for the years 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908 and the total amount is eight dollars and forty-five cents (\$8.45).

EST. JOHN HUME—South District

One-half acre of land, more or less, Lots number 264, 265, 266, 267 on "The Plains" at Ballardvale, and more fully described on a plan filed in Book No. 42 at the Essex North Registry of Deeds, Lawrence, Mass.

These taxes are for the years 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908 and the total amount is thirteen dollars and fifty cents (\$13.50).

P. KING—South District

Three-eighths acre of land, more or less, Lots number 227, 260, 262 on "The Plains" at Ballardvale and more fully described on a plan filed in Book No. 42 at the Essex North Registry of Deeds, Lawrence, Mass.

These taxes are for the years 1905, 1906, 1907 and 1908 and the total amount is eleven dollars and eighty-two cents (\$11.82).

EMILY A. CRUTE—South District

Five-eighths acre of land, more or less, Lots number 225, 227, 228-233-234, on "The Plains" at Ballardvale and more fully described on a plan filed in Book No. 42 at the Essex North Registry of Deeds, Lawrence, Mass.

The taxes are for the years 1905, 1906,

1907 and 1908 and the total amount is eighteen dollars and fifty-eight cents (\$18.58).

WILLIAM FROSCHE—South District

A certain lot of land situated in that part of Andover known as Ballardvale (East Vale) being lot numbered 26 on plan made by John W. Morrison, dated Sept. 1st, 1890, and bounded as follows: Commencing at the southwest corner of said lot on 1st Avenue, so called, and running easterly by said avenue, sixty-five (65) feet, thence northerly one hundred (100) feet, thence westerly sixty-five (65) feet, thence southerly one hundred (100) feet to point of beginning. Containing 6500 square feet. Recorded in Essex North Registry of Deeds at Lawrence Book 194 Page 123.

These taxes are for the years 1905, 1906, 1907, and 1908 and the total amount is three dollars and thirty-eight cents (\$3.38).

GEORGE A. HIGGINS

Collector of Taxes

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Essex, ss. PROBATE COURT.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of Alice M. Murry, late of Andover, in said County, widow, deceased, intestate.

Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to John W. Bell, of Andover, in the County of Essex, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Andover, in said County of Essex, on the third day of January, A. D. 1910, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Andover Townsman, a newspaper published in Andover, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, Rollin E. Harmon, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-first day of December, in the year one thousand nine hundred and nine.

J. T. MAHONEY, Register.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE

BARNETT ROGERS Auctioneer

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by William H. Welch of Andover in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to Mary E. Welch, wife of said William H. Welch, in her right, to the Andover Savings Bank, dated August 4th, 1898, and recorded with North District of Essex Deeds, libro 163, folio 589, for breach of the conditions contained in said mortgage, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at public auction, on the premises described in said mortgage, on Saturday, the fifteenth day of January, A. D. 1910, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises described in said mortgage, to-wit:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situated on the northerly side of Summer Street in said Andover, bounded as follows:—Beginning on Summer Street by land of John H. Flint as the wall now stands and running northerly by land of said Flint, one hundred and fifty (150) feet; easterly on land of Maurice Collins parallel with Summer Street, seventy (70) feet; thence southerly parallel with the land of said Flint to Summer Street, one hundred and fifty (150) feet; thence westerly by said Summer Street, seventy (70) feet to the point of beginning.

Being the same premises conveyed to said Mary E. Welch by Maurice Collins by deed dated June eleventh, 1898, and recorded with the District of Essex Registry of Deeds, Book 163, Page 330.

\$200.00 to be paid by the purchaser at time of sale.

Further terms at the sale.

ANDOVER SAVINGS BANK, Mortgagee.

by FREDERIC S. BOUTWELL, Treasurer.

December 17, 1909.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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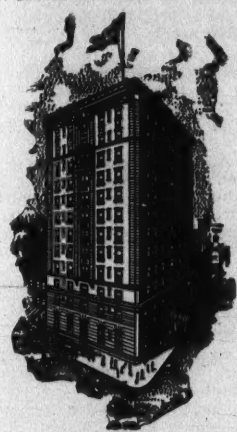
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SHORT SPELL
OF WEAKNESS

Quickly Followed by Death of
Leopold, King of Belgium

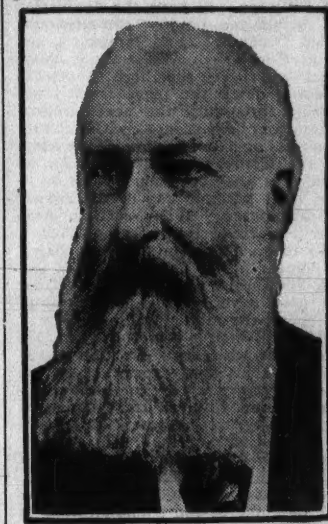
COLLAPSE WAS UNEXPECTED

Much of the World Was Against
Monarch For His Attitude Toward
Congo Independent States—Amassed
Fabulous Fortune as Result of Abil-
ity and Shrewdness—Nature of His
Private Life Open to Criticism—Son
of His Brother Succeeds to Throne

Brussels, Dec. 17.—King Leopold
died at 2:35 this morning, his aged
and wasted body being unable to stand
the strain put upon it.

The collapse occurred suddenly and
at a moment when the doctors seem-
ingly had had the greatest hopes for
his recovery.

The public at large was satisfied
that the king was on the road to re-
covery, but within the pavilion,
where the king lay, there was a feeling
of anxiety, chiefly because of Leo-
pold's great age. After a restful day,
the patient was able to sleep for a
brief time early in the evening, and
the night passed quietly. But towards
3 o'clock alarming symptoms ap-
peared.



KING LEOPOLD.

Suddenly the king turned and called
to Dr. Thiriar and cried that he was
suffocating. Dr. Depage was sum-
moned, and the two physicians did
everything possible to prolong life,
but without avail. The end came
quickly, and after a spell of weakness,
peacefully, Prince Albert arrived at
the deathbed about twenty-five min-
utes later.

He was accompanied by Princess
Clementine. Albert kissed the dead
king and left the chamber weeping.
Leopold II, King of the Belgians,
son of the late King Leopold I, upon
whose death, which occurred Dec.
10, 1865, he succeeded to the throne,
was born at Brussels April 9, 1835.
His father was the former prince of
Saxe-Coburg-Gotha and his mother
Princess Louise, daughter of King
Louis Philippe of France. On Aug.
12, 1853, he married Archduchess
Marie Henriette, daughter of Arch-
duke Joseph of Austria. She died
Sept. 19, 1902. Three daughters were
born of this union, Louise, Stephanie
and Clementine. The two elder prin-
cesses have been estranged from their
father, but Clementine remained in
his affections.



PRINCE ALBERT OF FLANDERS

While always conspicuous before
the public on account of the nature
of his private life, particularly in re-
cent years, King Leopold latterly had
much of the world against him on ac-
count of his attitude toward the Congo
Independent state. His greatest in-
terest lay in the development of that
country, for he was practically the
founder of it and was its ruling sov-
ereign. On Nov. 15, 1908, Belgium
formally assumed control of the state,
and since then efforts at reform have
been inaugurated, but not carried out
in an entirely satisfactory manner.

Criticism against King Leopold in
this matter are said to have shattered
the buoyant spirits of the sovereign,
although it was only in private that
he gave expression to these feelings.

King Leopold was regarded as one
of the shrewdest and ablest men of
the times. He was essentially a man
of business, cold, reticent and calcu-

lating. He was of particularly inde-
pendent spirit, and more than once
he is said to have told other sovereigns
who attempted to advise him in con-
nection with his private affairs to
mind their own business. For this
reason he became estranged from
many of the courts of Europe.

Baroness Vaughan, who is said to
have been the king's morganatic wife,
occupies a chateau close to the pavil-
ion where Leopold died. She is the
daughter of parents of the name of
Delacroix, who were janitors first at
Liege and afterwards in Paris. Her
mother is dead and her father is an
inmate of an asylum for the insane.
She is the mother of two children.



PRINCESS ALBERT.

King Leopold's recent illness dated
from about two weeks ago, when he
was compelled to take to his bed, suf-
fering from rheumatism. His con-
finement brought about intestinal ob-
struction, for which an operation was
performed on Tuesday, and it was
feared then that his age would pre-
vent ultimate recovery.

New King Is Popular

There being no direct hereditary
heir the crown of Belgium passes to
Prince Albert, the only son of Leo-
pold's brother, the late Philippe,
Count of Flanders. The new monarch
was born April 8, 1875, and on Oct.
2, 1900, married Princess Elizabeth
of Bavaria. They have three chil-
dren, Prince Leopold, 8 years of age,
Prince Charles, 6 years old, and
Princess Marie-Jose, 3 years old.

Prince Albert is one of the most
popular members of the reigning
house of Belgium. His wife is equal-
ly popular, their home life being such
as to attract the admiration and love
of the people. Prince Albert has
traveled extensively, and is a man of
affairs. He has been a great student
of politics and economics, and has
frequently lectured on these subjects
in public. To broaden his grasp on
the affairs of the world he visited the
United States and other countries,
always studying, and always adding
to his store of knowledge and philoso-
phy.



BARONESS VAUGHAN

There is another side to the new
king which appeals to the popular
fancy. He dearly loves clean and
healthy sport. He is an accomplished
horseman, enjoys motoring and has
taken a flight or two in a dirigible
balloon.

In his intercourse with others he is
most gracious. His frank, good-na-
tured face bespeaks intelligence and
invites confidence. Democratic in
his tastes and manners, he is, never-
theless, a man of firm decision and
kingly dignity.

Baroness Quits Belgium

Brussels, Dec. 21.—Much comment
was caused when Baroness Vaughan,
morganatic wife of the late King Leo-
pold, left abruptly for her chateau
at Ballincourt, France, after having
announced her intention of staying
in Brussels until after the funeral.
She was accompanied by a physician
and nurse. One report says she was
ordered by the government to leave.

Baroness Vaughan's status. It is
rumored, has become a matter of
negotiations between the council of
Belgium and the Vatican. The Bel-
gian authorities sent to Rome a
lengthy dispatch bearing on the mor-
ganatic wife of the late Leopold II and
her children. This dispatch led to an
immediate conference between the
Belgian minister at Rome and Car-
dinal Merry del Val, the papal secre-
tary of state.

PSEUDO FAME
IS SHATTERED

Cook Fails to Establish His
Claim of Polar Discovery

REJECTED AT COPENHAGEN

Finding of Special Committee Af-
firmed by University Consistory—
So-Called Records Prove of No
Value, Being No Advance on Story
Published in Newspapers—Doctor
Reaped Harvest of Dollars by His
"Journey to Pole"

Copenhagen, Dec. 23.—The uni-
versity of Copenhagen, the first insti-
tution of learning to recognize Dr.
Frederick A. Cook as the discoverer
of the North Pole, has declared that
the explorer has failed to establish
the claim upon which his high honors
had been based.



DR. FREDERICK A. COOK.

The committee appointed by the
university to examine Cook's records
recently presented its reports to the
consistory of the university which re-
viewed the deductions of the experts
with the greatest care and discussed
the findings from every standpoint.
That both the committee and the con-
sistory were disappointed was soon
known. The consistory met Tuesday
and adopted a written report to the
effect that the alleged records submit-
ted for examination by Cook failed to
prove his claim that he had reached
the North Pole.

A sensational feature of the find-
ings is that Cook had no original
observations or documents, not even his
famous diary on which he based many
of his claims. The commission's
work was completed quickly, because
Cook's documents consisted of nothing
more than his story, published
when he first returned, paraphrased.

The report is signed by all six mem-
bers of the committee, who were as-
sisted in their inquiry by Knud Ras-
mussen, the explorer. The university
council issued this statement:

"The documents handed the uni-
versity for examination do not con-
tain observations and information
which can be regarded as proof that
Dr. Cook reached the North Pole on
his recent expedition."

STORY OF "DISCOVERY"

It Failed to Give Details of Cook's
Trip to the "Big Nail"

The first news to reach this country
that Dr. Cook had discovered the
North Pole came from Copenhagen—
the same city, by a strange freak of
fate, to first officially announce that
he did not accomplish the great feat.
The news was flashed under the seas
on Sept. 1 last.

A dispatch was received at the co-
lonial office in Copenhagen from Ler-
vik, Svalbard islands, signed by
Cook. He stated that he had reached
the Pole on April 21, 1908. There
was no detail as to Cook's trip. Sur-
prise was expressed that he had dis-
covered the Pole a year and four
months before and the facts had not
reached civilization.

To his wife in Brooklyn Cook sent
this cable by way of Copenhagen on
Sept. 1 last:

"Successful and well. Telegraph
address Copenhagen. Fred."

The news that Cook had reached the
Pole swept around the globe. It
caused the greatest excitement. The
next day Cook's short story of the
trip appeared, cabled by him from the
frozen north. It was dated from the
"Hans Egede," Lerwick.

In this story Cook gave an epitome
of the trip with its perils, how he had
to feed dogs to other dogs, but at last
reached the Pole.

One of the first disappointments of
the friends of Cook was that no white
man accompanied him and would be
able to corroborate his discovery of
the Pole. His enemies brought up the
disputed ascent of Mt. McKinley.

When Cook reached Copenhagen,
the people took him to their hearts
and decorated him with a wreath of
flowers. He was wine and dined.
The crown prince met him and he was
at once put down as being approved
royally.

Cook's announcement in a few words
recalled that there was another seek-
er for the Pole in the north—Com-
mander Peary. Then Peary declared

that he had discovered the Pole him-
self. A little later Peary declared
Cook a fakir. He stuck to it.

Cook was asked for his proofs. He
said he had some of them and the rest
he had left with Harry Whitney, who
was on a hunting trip north.

Then Cook began to reap the benefit
of his trip. First he sold his story to
the newspapers for a big sum. Then
he was in demand for lectures, for
which he picked up many thousands
more.

The public began to dig into the
McKinley ascension and there were
assertions that he had never climbed
the mountain. The demands for the
North Pole proofs were increased and
Cook began their preparation. It had
been decided that the university of
Copenhagen should pass on his pa-
pers.

The question for a week or ten days
has been: "Where is Cook?"
Nobody seems to know. John R.
Bradley, Cook's backer, had this to
say within the last few days:

"It looks bad for Cook. I wash my
hands of him."

HARVEST OF ASSASSINS!

Political Tragedies in Korea, Rus-
sia and British India

London, Dec. 23.—A remarkable
series of political assassinations of
personages high in office is reported
from widely separated points through-
out the world.

At Seoul, Korea, the prime minis-
ter of the Korean cabinet was stabbed
to death with a dagger as an ap-
parent result of the intense feeling against
Japanese influence.

At St. Petersburg the chief of se-
cret police, Colonel Karpoff, was
blown to pieces by the explosion of a
bomb supposedly thrown by an anar-
chist.

At Bombay the chief magistrate of
Nasik, Arthur M. T. Jackson, was
assassinated by a native for revenge
and presumably as a part of the sed-
itious movement against British of-
ficial authority.

In each of the countries the gov-
erning authority is menaced by a
dangerous element directed against
the existing regime.

MADRIZ ELECTED
TO PRESIDENCY

Not Acceptable to Nicaraguan
Revolutionary Forces

Managua, Dec. 21.—Dr. Jose Mad-
riz, former judge of the Central
American court of justice at Cartago,
and Zelaya's candidate, was elected
president of Nicaragua yesterday by
the unanimous vote of congress.

The session was a stormy one, but
there seemed to be perfect unanimity
with regard to the election of Madriz,
and when the official announcement
was made there was vociferous cheer-
ing.

Dr. Madriz assumed the presi-
dency at 10 o'clock this morning. He
urged harmony and pledged himself to
uphold the rights of the citizens,
granting free elections and establish-
ing a policy of equal opportunities
for all.

It is known to both Zelaya and Ma-
driz that General Estrada, the leader
of the revolutionists, is strongly op-
posed to the new president, for it is
well understood that Estrada himself
aspires to fill the presidential chair.

TOWN HALL DESTROYED

Fire at Leominster Gets Good Start
Before It Is Discovered

Leominster, Mass., Dec. 23.—Fire
last night destroyed the town hall and
opera house, contained in the one
structure, causing a loss of \$150,000.

The town hall was a structure of
pressed brick, three stories in height,
the two upper floors being given over
to the uses of an opera house contain-
ing 1200 seats.

Spontaneous combustion, or rats
and matches were given as the cause,
but whatever might have brought it
about, the feeling prevails that the
fire had been going a long time be-
fore it was discovered.

WRIT OF ERROR REFUSED

Thaw Loses Again in His Petition to
United States Supreme Court

Washington, Dec. 21.—Justice Mc-
Kenna of the supreme court of the
United States denied a petition of
Harry K. Thaw for a writ of error to
the court of appeals of New York in
the case in which Thaw made an ef-
fort to obtain release from the Mat-
tewan asylum.

In that case a petition for a writ
of habeas corpus was denied, and the
effect of McKenna's decision will be
to leave the decision of the court of
appeals undisturbed.

Navy's New Gun a Success

Washington, Dec. 23.—The new
14-inch rifle has been tested at In-
dian Head, Md., and, according to
experts, did all that was expected of
it. The projectiles traveled about
nine miles with the gun elevated
seven degrees.

Ten Fined For Weight Frauds
Fall River, Mass., Dec. 23.—Ten
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THE TOWN BY A COUNTRYMAN AT HOME

Peace on Earth

We publish in another column a long and attractive program of the Christmas music to be given at the various churches in town the coming Sunday. "Peace on earth, good will toward men," is the prevailing theme in every program, and thousands of voices the world over will join in singing these words to many different tunes during the coming Christmas celebrations.

"Peace on earth, good will toward men!" These words do not mean alone, a cessation of hostilities between nations, a union of forces for good between religious denominations, a new union of families, a larger charity between employer and employee—but meaning all this, in their broadest application, they do mean that thousands of similar concessions one for another are more easily made at this time of the year than at almost any other time.

We have sometimes wondered what would happen to the American nation with its rush and turmoil three hundred and sixty-four days in the year, if it were not for the account of stock taking during the Christmas season; an account of stock that appreciates as it can at no other time the need of men getting closer together, the call for increased charity, the demands for the recognition of the rights, each of his fellowmen, the demand to love your neighbor, the affection on the part of the old for the young, the giving that makes richer, the forgetting to grind. All this, even though but for a few brief twenty-four hours, softens the world more than we can possibly appreciate. Few of us can do but little along these lines, but all united make up on Christmas day a force which, like the great coarse, rasping file, leaves at nightfall all the edges a little smoother, and all the rough places more easy of passage.

The Serious Dust Pest

The macadamized road is one of the blessings of modern times. It is also, we fear, one of the curses. Not in the summer, when the watering cart or some other form of dust-laying keeps the surface down, but just as the ground is frozen and the grinding of the horses and the wheels of vehicles have begun their deadly work, then begins the deadly work of the dust from the macadamized street. Andover has suffered terribly for the last two weeks from this source. Some of our good friends have inquired why it is that the sprinkling cart does not get on its job, but they have not realized what they so well know, that to put water upon the highway at this time of year means to make a glare surface impossible for safe travel.

What the remedy is it is difficult to suggest. The summer problem itself is not yet solved, so far as the use of oil or patent preparations is used in the laying of dust. We have sometimes wondered if it weren't possible to use one of these preparations at this time of the year and not have the discomfort for horse travel that comes from the use of water. One of the town's well-known physicians has stated within a few days that without doubt many of the cases of tonsillitis, sore throat, and kindred ailments are due to the clouds of dust that fill the streets almost continuously.

We cannot recall any time for many years when the weather, beautiful as it is, had lurking in it more serious menace than at the present, and it behooves everybody to have particular care so long as the ground remains bare, and there exists the seductive charm of clear skies, high winds, and those things that follow both of these attractions at this time of the year. It is good to repeat what we have said many times, a good clean skin and a clear conscience will be very helpful to good health during the next three months.

Tax Sales in Ballardvale

The announcement by the tax collector of the sale of a great many pieces of property in the southern section of the town calls attention to a situation in that locality that cannot be overlooked. Ballardvale cannot offer very great inducements at the present time for owners of property. The business of the Ballardvale mills today makes up practically all there is for that section. They are prosperous, successful and well managed, reflecting the excellence of those who are now in control. But at the best they are but a small industry. Those who have in years past believed that a boom could be brought to this section can now see in the forced sales the results of their efforts. There is absolutely nothing ahead of this section to call for a development such as is represented in any sort of a land scheme, and whatever may be the return from the forthcoming sale, it will be a clearing up of property, wise for the tax collector and wise for the people who have made original investments in it.

Andover Guild

Friday evening, December 31, will be children's and mothers' night. Members of the Mothers' club and their husbands are invited, also members of the Junior Boys' club, and of the sewing school and afternoon girls' classes. Entertainment will begin at 7:30 and will consist of music, lantern slides and games. Light refreshments will be served.

THE STATE BY A COUNTRYMAN ABROAD

Taking Turns in Office

They have an interesting way of going about things over in Middlesex County, that it might be possible for other sections with lots of trouble to follow advantageously. At the last election, one of their fine old men, in the person of County Commissioner Upham of Waltham, was re-elected, but before his new term of office death overtook him, and a vacancy has been created. Practically every "down and out" politician in the county has been a candidate, both for Commissioner Upham's unexpired term of three months, and for the new term that will follow from the 5th of January to the time of the next election. The choice of this successor rested entirely with the remaining county commissioners and the Clerk of Courts, but so warm had the contest become, there has been postponement after postponement, until Wednesday of this week when the remarkable result was arrived at of naming both of the leading aspirants for partial terms.

Probably this is unique in the history of contested elections in this Commonwealth. Under this particular action, the Hon. Frank A. Patch of Littleton will have the distinction of being the county commissioner from Chester 23 to January 5, and Hon. Chester B. Williams of Weymouth will have the high honor of holding down the place from January 5, 1910, until the next election. From our experience with county commissioners, we commiserate deeply the Hon. Frank A. Patch, for he holds his position when he can be of the least possible use to the county of Middlesex. What earthly good can a place of that sort be when it falls to give a commissioner a chance to appear before the Legislature and ask for special appropriations so that he may have increased opportunity to spend the money of the county.

Mr. Williams is more fortunate. He comes in with the new Legislature, and from his long experience on the Hill as representative of various interests, and through his practice as an attorney, we may look for a boom in expenditure of money in Middlesex, new Middlesex buildings, and many other progressive policies such as we have seen in Essex county as the outcome of the administration of a similar patriot in the person of the Hon. Moody Kimball.

By the way, why wouldn't it be just as well for this plan to be encouraged, for this policy to be followed in every hot contest, and thus "give them all a chance"? But again we must protest that Mr. Commissioner Patch has received the short end of this "long shot."

Boston's Mayoralty Contest

At this writing there seems to be little doubt but that Boston will have three mayors beginning the 11th of January, for each one of the candidates, Storrow, Hibbard, and Fitzgerald is sure of election. The poor little fellow who has rattled along in the mayor's box during the past two years seemed to reach the very height of his career when he journeyed to Washington the early part of this week to see if by any possible chance, there were to be any crumbs from the "rich man's table" at which sit the Senators from Massachusetts. He found a few, but they were very bitter, and if George A. Hibbard sees any particular reason for remaining in public life after January 11, it will be the greatest surprise that the American people have had recently.

From the outside it would appear as if a very serious mistake is being made in handling the Storrow candidacy. Mr. Storrow and his advisers should have known that they cannot possibly match in adroit, clever political work, either on the platform, or among the ward heelers, that past master, John F. Fitzgerald, and they should have abandoned that field entirely to him at the outset. Instead of that, they have allowed themselves to be drawn into controversy and wrangle in which they certainly have not come out first thus far, and out of which by all appearances, Mr. Fitzgerald has scored. There are men enough in Boston who do not want Mr. Fitzgerald to be mayor to encompass his defeat. From this distance, it would not appear that thus far these men have been joined together in such a way as to realize the full possibility of their strength.

Guilty—Of Being Found Out

Not all the North Pole fakirs are named Cook, and not all the Cooks are North Pole fakirs. But there are very many fakirs just as big as the North Pole Cook who are never found out. Criminal as is the offense that the poor, misguided Arctic explorer has committed before the people of the world in pretending to what he was not, and in advertising that which he could not deliver, there will be a great many people who will agree at once that his real misfortune comes from his inability to keep up the deceit that he inaugurated. One of the original comments made by a leading scientist on the claim of Cook that he had discovered the North Pole was to the effect that it was about as valuable as would have been the establishment of a hundred-yard dash record. The present status of the Cook and Peary controversy would indicate that so far as Cook was concerned, a hundred yards' dash is about the limit that should be credited to him in his journey to the Pole. All the world knows that most all the world is made up of fakirs, but alas, for the poor fakir who gets found out!

DEATHS OF THE WEEK

EDWARD G. HAYWARD

News has been received in town of the death at sea of Edward G. Hayward of Ballardvale. Mr. Hayward followed the sea for over thirty years, being engaged in the whaling industry. His first voyage in 1877 was of 40 months duration, in the Atlantic Ocean. Since then he has sailed a number of times from San Francisco to the Arctic regions. He returned from his last voyage of 27 months to Hudson Bay on October 6th last. From severe colds contracted while on duty, pneumonia developed, from which he never fully recovered. On reaching home it was deemed advisable for him to go to a warmer climate for the winter. He sailed from New Bedford on October 20th for the Cape Verde Islands, and died on board ship November 4th, being buried at sea. Mr. Hayward is survived by one brother, Caleb, of New Bedford, and four sisters, Mrs. David Shaw, Andover, Mrs. Frank H. Anderson, North Andover, and Misses Abby and Ellen of Boston.

GEORGE PARK FISHER

News was received here at the first of the week of the death of Rev. George Park Fisher, D. D., formerly a student in the Andover Theological Seminary, and up to the time of his decease professor of ecclesiastical history at Yale. He died in Litchfield, Conn., on Monday night at the age of 80 years. He has been connected with Yale University for 55 years.

MRS. AUGUSTUS E. BACHELDER

There were many persons in Andover who were startled and pained to hear last Tuesday evening that Mrs. Augustus E. Bachelder had died at a Hospital in Boston. Her funeral was on Thursday afternoon at Christ church. Her body, according to her directions, was cremated.

For fifteen years her home had been in Andover at No. 9 Chestnut street; and all who entered it felt the sweetness and grace which were characteristic both of her husband and herself. After her husband's death in 1904, she devoted herself to the care of her mother, Mrs. William Wilkinson, and the two nieces, Misses Katharine and Barbara French, who had been left to her in infancy at the death of their mother, as her own children. She found brief time for society in the November Club and for beneficent work in the Woman's Guild of Christ Church, while for several years she was a valued teacher in the Sunday School of that parish. Her work of whatever kind she felt to be the Lord's and she gave herself wholly to it in full consecration. Whatever was her duty became at once not only her work but her joy. She was exacting in her demands on herself; towards others, kindly and seeking opportunities for gracious service. Her wide information, bright intelligence, and ready humor, made her conversation full of interest. Her religion was like the rock-basis on which Andover is built—everywhere felt as a foundation but nowhere thrusting itself into notice. In her, mercy and truth met together, righteousness and peace kissed each other. Her going will leave a large blank in life for those who came within the radiance of her presence.

MRS. BEULAH S. HUNT

Mrs. Beulah S. Hunt, a resident of West Andover, passed away Monday, December 20, after a lingering illness during which death was daily expected. She sustained a fall about two weeks ago which, while it was not the direct cause of her death, contributed to it, as did her extreme age. She was aged 93 years, nine months and seventeen days.

Mrs. Hunt was a member of the Baptist church, and Rev. W. E. Lombard, assisted by Rev. Dean Walker, officiated at the funeral which was held yesterday afternoon at her late home. Burial was in the West Parish cemetery.

Mrs. Hunt is survived by a son, James Hunt, and a daughter, Mrs. Sarah Wagstaff.

MRS. WENDELL P. JENKINS

The sudden death of Mrs. Wendell P. Jenkins, of 123 Elm street, last Saturday, came as a great shock to her friends and relatives. Removed last week to the Lowell General Hospital, she underwent an operation from which she failed to rally. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon at her late home.

HENRIETTA F. CRANE

The death of Miss Henrietta F. Crane which occurred Wednesday night at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Philip French on Abbot street, came as a great shock to her friends and relatives. Miss Crane was a resident of North Andover, having recently purchased the Hall estate on Chestnut street, but for the past few weeks she had been a guest at the home of Philip French in Andover. While there she contracted pneumonia, to which she succumbed, after a short illness. The funeral services will be held Sunday, and burial will be in Mt. Auburn cemetery.

ABBOTT VILLAGE

The Ice Carnival

Perhaps never before has there been such a round of pleasure in the village as the present week has seen. The beautiful, almost cloudless moonlight nights, the clear, smooth ice, and the buoyant and joyous spirits of the young people, not alone of the village, but from all parts of the town have all contributed to what has been one continuous carnival of fun and healthy and invigorating sport on the mill pond.

The ice has never been in such good condition for so long a time in the memory of the oldest inhabitants as it has this winter, and it goes without saying, the pond has never before afforded such attraction for the young people of the village.

Peals of merry laughter, the ring of the skates, the whir of the hockey as it is driven hither and yon, and the clash of the hockey sticks, are sounds that are heard by and attract the passerby. The bonfires, now sending up great tongues of flame, again showers of living sparks as new fuel is being added, and finally blinking in feeble efforts to keep alive in the frosty air, and a great crowd of ever-mixing and moving human figures, produce scenes so weird and fascinating that many people have gone out nightly from the warmth and comfort of their firesides to watch and enjoy them.

Christmas week of the year 1909 will be long remembered by the hundreds of people who have enjoyed its pleasures.

FRYE VILLAGE

Mr. and Mrs. Carl W. Pratt of Lowell street are receiving the congratulations of their friends on the arrival of a little baby boy in their home last week.

Many young people in the Village are taking advantage of the fine skating on Hussey's Pond.

Natural History Society to Visit

The Andover Natural History society will visit the rooms of the Boston Natural History society and also the new Museum of Fine Arts, on Thursday, December 30. The party will leave Andover on the 9:35 a. m. train.

Card of Thanks

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the neighbors and friends for their kindness and sympathy in our recent bereavement.

MRS. WILLIAM J. MITCHELL
WENDELL P. JENKINS
MISS EDNA L. SMITH

Deaths

Died at sea, November 4, 1909, Edward G. Hayward, son of the late Henry M. and Rebecca W. Hayward of Ballardvale; aged 49 years, 5 months.

In Lowell General Hospital, Saturday, December 18, 1909, Mrs. Olive P. Jenkins, wife of Wendell P. Jenkins of Andover.

In West Andover, Monday, December 20, 1909, aged 93 years, 9 months, 17 days, Beulah S. Hunt, widow of the late Isaac Hunt.

In Boston, Tuesday, December 21, 1909, Mrs. Augustus E. Bachelder, of Andover.

In Ballardvale, Monday, December 20, 1909, aged 70 years, Mrs. Elizabeth Parton, wife of John Parton.

In Andover, at the home of Philip French, on Abbot street, Wednesday, December 22, 1909, Miss Henrietta F. Crane.



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Their old familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet
The words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!
And thought how, as the day had come,
The belfries of all Christendom
Had rolled along
The unbroken song
Of peace on earth, good-will to men!
—Henry Wadsworth Longfellow.

"Merry, merry Christmas," are the words which have been speeding all over our land and other lands as well during the past week. How many times they have been in our hearts, in our minds, and on our tongues. Tomorrow they will pulsate more than ever, ending in a final outburst on Sunday in the musical services and religious observances of the day. Special musical programs have been prepared in nearly all of our churches in Andover.

West Church

The Christmas services in the West church were held last Sunday. The program was as follows:
Organ prelude—Adorant Nations

Doxology
Call to Worship
Invocation and Lord's Prayer
Solo, Mr. Davis, "Night of Nights"
Responsive Reading and Gloria—
Psalm 27
Hymn No. 160, Congregation
"O come, all ye faithful"
Solo, Mr. Davis, From "Messiah," Handel
"For behold, darkness shall cover the earth. The people that walked in darkness"
Pastoral Prayer and Response by Choir
Offertory
Solo Mr. Davis, "The New Born King"
Sermon, Luke 2:17
Hymn No. 587, Congregation
"Hark, Hark, My Soul"
Benediction
Postlude in D,
Harris

South Church

The Christmas music for the morning services has been prepared by Mr. Frederic W. Moore, the organist and choirmaster. The choir will consist of thirty-five voices, and Miss Lillian Pike will be the soloist.

Christmas pastorate
Organ
Anthem, "Sing O heavens"
Hymn, While shepherds watched, Handel
Holy, holy night,
Hymn, O thou who by a star didst guide
Hymn, Joy to the world
Christmas march
Organ

The Christmas concert of the Sunday school will be held at four o'clock on Sunday afternoon. The concert is arranged under the title "The Babe of Bethlehem." All departments will have part in the recitations, and in the singing, which will consist of old and new carols. There will be also a few speakers from other countries. A partial program follows:

New carol, There's a song in the air
Old carol, Good Christmas men, rejoice
Recitation
New carol, Shine out, O blessed star
Recitation
Old carol, When Christ was born of Mary free
Recitation
Old carol, Silent night! Holy night
Recitation
Recitation
Address, Elisha Chidley, Labrador
New carol, O sweet old song of Bethlehem
Address, Mianzara Kaprielian, Sivas, Turkey
Address, Renuka Gokhale, Ahmednagar, India
Old carol, We three Kings of Orient are
Ralph Connor's song, The angel and the star. The Pastor
New carol, Do you hear the song?

Free Church

Following is the program for the morning service at the Free church.
Organ prelude, Fantasia on old Christmas carols
Anthem, O Zion, that bringest good tidings
Anthem, Sing, O heavens
Offertory, Pastorale from the "Messiah"
Hymns, Herald angels
Organ postlude, Christmas chorus

The program for the Sunday school concert is given below.
Organ prelude, March of the Magi
Hymn, Angels from the realms of glory
Prayer
Scripture reading, The story of the shepherds
Mrs. Paine's class
Scripture reading, The story of the wise men
Mr. Davis's class
Hymn, From the eastern mountains pressing on they come
Prophecies about Christ
Mr. Gould's class
Titles of Christ in the Old Testament
Titles of Christ in the New Testament
Miss Alice Bell's class
Song, Why do bells for Christmas ring
Mrs. Hutchinson's class
Exercises by primary department
Anthem, Behold, I bring you good tidings
Recitation, The Christmas chimes
Bertha Cuthill
Recitation, Christmas is come
Alice Howell
Recitation, The adoration of the wise men
Elizabeth McDermitt
Song, There's a song in the air
Miss Kayes' and Mrs. Hutcheson's classes
Recitation, A Christmas discovery
Esther Batchelder

Recitation, Christmas tonight

Elsie Stiles
Recitation, A good thought
Agnes Smith
Dialogue What we do at our house
Helen Smith, Jennie Leslie
Annie Anderson, Myrtle McDermitt
Recitation, The prince of peace
Jessie Moncur
Recitation, Hang up the baby's stocking
Reading, A Christmas story
Eva Howell
Offering
Hymn, Come, thou long expected Jesus
Arranged from Mendelssohn
Benediction
Organ postlude, Christmas March, LeBlanc

Christ Church

The following special music at Christ church will be given on Christmas day at 10.30 a. m., and also on Sunday, by a vested choir of forty voices, under the direction of E. H. Titcomb, organist and choirmaster.
Processional, Adeste Fideles
Venite and Gloria Patri, Plain Song
Te Deum in F
Benedictus, Plain Song
Introit, Hymn 58
Kyrie Eleison, Plain Song
Gloria Tibi, Plain Song
Offertory
"Calm on the List'ning Ear of Night"
Sanctus, Plain Song
Communion Hymn 235
Gloria in Excelsis, in F
Recessional Hymn 60

St. Augustine's Church

Solemn high mass will be held at 10.30 a. m., at St. Augustine's church, when the following program will be rendered.
Prelude
Christmas Hymn
Processional, Sanctuary Choir
"Hark what mean those holy voices"
Mass in C
Offertory, Adeste Fideles
Recessional, "With Glory Lit"
Postlude, Marche Triomphale
The following is the order of the solemn vespers which will take place at 7.30 p. m.
Musical Vespers
Adeste Fideles
Magnificat
Alma Redemptoris
O Salutaris Hostia
Soprano Solo
Tantum Ergo
Laudante Dominum
Sweet Saviour, bless us ere we go
Sanctuary Choir

Congregational Church, No. Andover

A very good program has been arranged by Harold P. Gaunt, the organist of the Congregational church in North Andover. Both organ and choir music is taken from the "Messiah."
Tenor solo, "Comfort ye," Handel
Mr. Andrew Gibson
Bass solo, "Thus saith the Lord," Handel
Mr. George L. Hamilton
Alto solo, "Oh thou that tellest good tidings," Handel
Mrs. H. A. Webster, Jr.
Soprano solo, "Fear not," Handel
Miss Rachel Barrington
Chorus, "The glory of the Lord," Handel
Chorus, "Oh thou that tellest good tidings," Handel
Sermon, "Joy in the City"
The Sunday school concert program is as follows:
Organ voluntary
Scripture solo

In old Judea—Christmas song
Master Leonard Harwood
Solos and chorus, There were Shepherds,
Mr. Gibson, Miss Barrington and chorus
Prayer
Song by the school, The prince of life is born
Recitation, Good morning
Pearl Currier
Exercise, Stars in the Christmas sky
Primary department
Song, All hail, blest night
Six boys
Recitation, The first Christmas
Flora Thiel
Exercise, Shining as we go
Primary department
Song by the school, Joy, great joy
Recitation, The name above every name
Mabel Williams
Exercise, Father Time's bell
Howard Ayer and twelve girls
Song, Born is Messiah
Girls' chorus
Recitation, What the shepherds heard
Donald Thompson
Recitation, Christmas
Mabel Fish
Song by the school, Lift up your voices,
O Zion
Address
Anthem, Unto you a Savior is born
Chorus and quartet
Offering
Hymn No. 181
Benediction

Tuesday Club Musicals

The annual musicale of the Tuesday Club was given last Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Francis H. Foster on Central street. Guests were present to the number of about 75 and were received in the prettily decorated rooms by the hostess, Mrs. Foster, and Mrs. John V. Holt, president of the club. The artist for the evening was Miss Bertha Remick of Sharon, Mass., and the program presented by her was varied and extremely interesting. The weird rhythm of the Indian and negro songs which were among the American Folk Songs she sang, was charming. At the close of the program which is given below, refreshments were served in the dining room.

PART I**MUSIC OF THE OLD WORLD**

(a) Moses Song of Triumph
(b) Egyptian Love Song
(c) Greek Ode to Calliope
Three Old English Songs
(a) Old German Christmas Carol
(b) Sandman
(c) French Folk Song
(d) Mon Ami
(e) Solfager and the Worm
(f) King
(g) Neils Tallejoren
(h) Dance from Jolster
(i) Mazurka
(j) Tarentelle

PART II**MUSIC OF THE NEW WORLD**

(a) Song of Sorrow
(b) Wigwam
(c) Chattering Squaw
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Leaders for the Evangelistic Meetings

The leaders for the evangelistic meetings in January have been chosen. Dr. Arthur J. Smith, who will direct the meetings generally from Lawrence, has announced the names of the leaders during the last week. For Andover, Rev. Edgar E. Davidson of Newtonville will be the speaker. Mr. Otho Hatch will be the soloist. Mr. Davidson has had an honorable and useful career as an evangelist. He is not unknown in Andover. Mr. Hatch will come as a stranger, but very cordial words are said of his singing by those who have heard him.

The speakers in near-by "Groups" will be Rev. Samuel Lindsay in South Lawrence, and Rev. C. M. Dockrell in North Andover.

Helping Hand Sale

The Christmas sale and entertainment for which the ladies of the Helping Hand Society of the Free Church have been so busily preparing, took place Friday evening and was certainly a success. The various tasteful articles which were for sale went so rapidly that by evening very little was left. In every way the sale was entirely satisfactory. Likewise the entertainment which came in the evening. The readings as well as the vocal selections were very well rendered and all together formed the following pleasing program:

Piano solo, Mary Black; reading, "Convict 606," Miss Ethel Hinton; vocal selection, "Rose of My Life," William Anderson; reading, "My Rosa," Miss Hinton; vocal selection, "Love, Could I only Tell Thee," William Anderson; accompanist, Miss Jean Dundas; tableaux by members of the Helping Hand.

The following were in charge of the various tables: Candy, Mrs. Mander, Mrs. Walter Rhodes; apron, Miss Dick, Mrs. Lawson; cake, Mrs. Faulkner, Mrs. MacMechan; ice cream, Mrs. Riddoch, Mrs. Anderson.

New Lodge

In the presence of over one hundred members of various lodges of Good Templars from surrounding cities and towns, Andover Lodge, I. O. G. T. was instituted in A. O. U. W. hall by D. D. G. M. Daniel Poor of the Merrimack Valley District last Saturday evening. Thirty members of the lodge were initiated and officers were elected and installed. The latter were as follows: C. T. Alex. Valentine; V. T. Miss Bella Adam; secretary, Harry Sellers; P. C. T. Mrs. Robert Lowe; F. S. William Valentine; treasurer, Roscoe K. Cole; marshal, Stanley Cameron; D. M. Charles Main; S. J. T. Robert Lowe; registrar, John W. Richardson; D. E. S. Rev. W. E. Lombard; A. S. David Walde; C. Miss Catherine Cunningham; G. James Twiner; S. Robert Lowe. Daniel H. Poor was unanimously elected lodge deputy. The outlook for this new order is very bright and a strong society is looked for. The next meeting will be held on Saturday evening in A. O. U. W. hall and it is hoped that a goodly number will be present. The other lodges represented were as follows: Spindle City, Lowell; Brook Methuen; Beacon Light, Methuen; Longfellow, Haverhill; Merrimack Valley, Haverhill; Ballardvale, Andover; Harmony, North Andover and Good Hope of Lawrence.

Association Football

The Andovers were ordered by the league to play the Buntings on Saturday last at Andover, but for some unknown reason the latter did not turn up and Mr. Gallagher, the referee, lined the Andover boys up and kicked off the ball. Sterling took the ball up the field and scored a goal, thus winning the game for Andover.

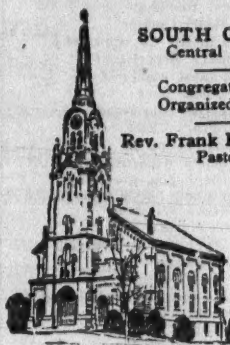
Andover vs. Clan McPherson

On Saturday, Christmas day, there will be a great game at Andover between the Andover and Clan McPherson football teams. As both teams are runners well up in their respective leagues, the game is sure to be of an interesting nature. The Andovers will very likely try out some new players in this game, as they are in need of a few good men for the coming game. Owing to the list of injured players, they have had lines to get a team to play scheduled games, but they will have the services of some good players in Saturday's game to try them out for the spring game that they are looking forward to. Andover will have a great defence on Saturday. Backs, Nicoll and Jackson; halfbacks, Stirling, Downs and Tart. That is a defence that will have to be reckoned with, and the McPherson forwards will have to play hard to beat them. It is hoped that the weather clerk will be on his best behavior that day, as a great crowd is expected to witness the game. Seeing that so many of the McPherson team are old Andover men, there being no fewer than nine Andover men on the team, there is likely to be considerable rivalry between the two teams for the mastery.

The following team will represent Andover:

Goal, J. Monro; backs, C. Nicoll, R. Jackson; halfbacks, W. Stirling, E. Downs, A. Tart; forwards, D. Falconer, D. McKillop, Kennedy, E. Anderson, W. Gordon; reserve, R. Deyermund.

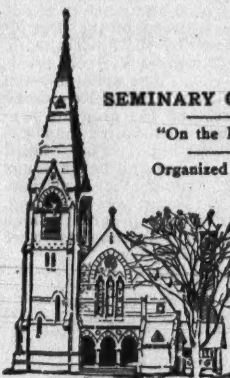
CHURCH CALENDAR FOR NEXT WEEK



SOUTH CHURCH
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Rev. Frank R. Shipman
Pastor

Services for Next Week

10.30 a. m. Christmas service. Also Sunday kindergarten.
Sunday School to follow.
4.00 p. m. Christmas concert of the Sunday school.
7.15, Monday. Castle Excalibur, K. O. K. A.
7.45, Tuesday. Neighborhood prayer meetings.
7.45, Wednesday. Preparation service.
3.30, Thursday. Quarterly meeting of the Women's Union.
7.45, Thursday. Choir practice.



SEMINARY CHURCH
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Services for Next Week

No services at Seminary church next Sunday.

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Services for Next Week

8.30 a. m. Mass and instruction, Sunday-school following.
10.30 a. m. High Mass and sermon.
3.30 p. m. Vespers.
First Sunday of each month, Communion day for Sacred Heart Sodality.
Second Sunday of each month, Communion day for the children.
Third Sunday of each month, Communion and Rosary Arch Confraternity.

BAPTIST CHURCH
Organized 1833

Rev. W. E. Lombard
Pastor



Services for Next Week

10.30 a. m. Preaching by the pastor.
11.45 a. m. Sunday School.
6.30 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E.
7.15 p. m. Gospel service.
7.45 p. m., Tuesday. Cottage prayer meetings.
7.30 p. m. Wednesday Prayer Meeting.

WEST CHURCH
West Parish
Congregational
Organized 1826
Rev. Dean A. Walker
Pastor



Services for Next Week

10.30. Morning worship. Sermon by the pastor.
12.00. Sunday School.
3.00 p. m. Y. P. S. C. E.
7.00. Service at the Osgood school-house.
7.45. Tuesday. Cottage prayer meeting at Edward W. Boutwell's.
7.00. Wednesday. Annual meeting of the church. Social of the Seamen's Friend society.
2.30. Saturday. Juvenile Missionary society at the parsonage.

FREE CHURCH, Congregational
Elm Street
Organized 1846

Rev. Frederic A. Wilson
Pastor



Services for Next Week

10.30 a. m. Worship, with sermon by the pastor—a Christmas service. Sunday school to follow the morning service. Also talk by Dr. Gates on Old Testament History.
6.00 p. m. Christmas concert of the Sunday school.
Tuesday, all day. District convocation of Knights of King Arthur, with the Castle of the First Congregational church.
7.45. Tuesday. Cottage prayer meetings.
7.45. Wednesday. Service preparatory to communion.

CHRIST CHURCH
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Services for Next Week

10.30 a. m. Morning Prayer and Sermon by the Rector.
12.00 p. m. Sunday School.
7.30 p. m. Evening prayer and sermon by the assistant rector.
10.30 a. m. Christmas Day. Morning prayer, sermon and holy communion.
7.30, Monday. K. O. K. A.
7.30, Tuesday. Girls' Friendly Society.
2.30, Tuesday. The Woman's Guild at the rectory.

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SOME ANDOVER INTERESTS

AS SEEN BY "THE SPECTATOR."

The other day The Spectator was in the office of a prominent Andover medical gentleman, and he gave The Spectator some valuable information concerning methods of building up the health. This physician gave The Spectator to understand that the reasonable expectation of life of any Andoverite depends more upon his habits, his freedom from care, and on proper nourishment, than upon the fact that he may have inherited a rigorous constitution. And in this connection The Spectator regards it as unfortunate that many parents here in Andover or elsewhere refuse to profit by the knowledge and experience of competent members of the medical profession in regard to the health of their children, and cling to the most absurd theories about diet and other matters of vital importance. Starvelings may become "dudes," but never brilliant men, though born in the most luxurious home in Andover. The medical gentleman in question outlined as the essentials of sound health of mind and body the following:

1. Freedom from care and anxiety.
2. Abundance of wholesome and well prepared food.
3. Eight hours' sleep out of every twenty-four hours.
4. A constant supply of pure, air for the lungs.
5. Scrupulous cleanliness.
6. Clothing adapted to the changes of the seasons.
7. An honorable and remunerative occupation.
8. The confidence and respect of all fellow townsmen.

Whence some of the notions of antiquity which some children of this generation possess are derived may be inferred from a remark made by a Main street little girl whom The Spectator loves dearly. In the course of a lesson she was told that Egypt was the oldest country in the world. "Oh," exclaimed The Spectator's little friend in great surprise, "I thought Ireland was the really old country!"

An Andover gentleman who is more or less interested in the subject of education and who has a son in one of our largest New England colleges, informs The Spectator that the time spent upon Greek in our schools is wasted. The Spectator admits that the study of Greek no longer fills quite the same space in a scheme of liberal education that it once filled. Natural science and the living languages in which the result of scientific discovery are recorded, have ever-increasing demands upon the attention of students. Today the man of science feels himself equipped for his work when he possesses, besides a proper acquaintance with Greek and Latin and his native tongue, the command of French and German; but tomorrow he must add Italian, already indispensable to astronomers and chemists, and the day after, Spanish and Russian. No one knows better than the real student that he cannot afford to neglect any source of information. The circle is constantly widening, but is not the centre-always where it was? Everything that moves upon this planet, one of the instructors at Phillips Andover pointed out to The Spectator recently, is Greek in its origin. It is no argument against the study of Greek to show that an Andoverite actively engaged in the practice of law or medicine has forgotten his Homer. As well denounce geometry because some Andoverites, with other claims upon their time and thoughts, have forgotten all but the name of Euclid, and could not for the life of them make a survey of a half-acre lot. All who aim at a liberal education include geometry in the list of their studies, not because they all expect to be come surveyors, but because they desire the mental training which the science of geometry gives to those who study it. It is exactly the same with the study of Greek. If it were possible to fortell the future of every boy who goes to college, many mistakes and much waste of time might be avoided; but can Andover or any other place show the prophet? Is it only in intellectual training that parents and teachers are compelled to work in the dark? The Spectator can point his finger at certain Andoverites who show by their conduct that they have not profited by the moral instruction received in their youth; are we therefore to do away with moral training? An Andoverite may live an honorable and useful life without knowing Sanscrit; but without Sanscrit there is no scientific philology, nor can there be a truly liberal education without Greek.

An Elm street gentleman makes the observation that here in Andover as elsewhere, the average schoolboy thinks more of his exercise than his exercises.

"No," said a member of the Senior class of Andover high school to a friend of The Spectator's, "it is not allowable in polite society to say, 'He bit off more than he could chew.' The correct expression is, 'He severed with his incisors more than he was able to masticate with his molars.'"

"How can I get my poems published?" writes a young man to The Spectator. Buy a hand press, young man, buy a hand press. The Spectator has an old one in his cellar now, and will sell it for \$5.

What is the hottest thing in the world? Well, on Sunday afternoon, The Spectator had an opportunity to find out. It is a raisin lying in ambush in a mouthful of hot plum pudding. The Spectator has not fully recovered yet, and his wife won't stop laughing for some time yet.

The Spectator wonders if there are any families in Andover who will go dinnerless on Christmas day? Per-

haps not as bad as that, but it is certain that at least three or four families won't have enough to eat on that day. Too bad that it is impossible to know the identity of the worthy poor!

THE SPECTATOR.

Tariff and Prices

Dear Sir,

Your invitation to write you anent this complicated subject tempts me to say that putting a tariff on certain articles does not alter the price. On other articles it does so, is intended to do so.

Take wheat with a 25 cents per bushel duty. If you put on a duty of \$25 dollars per bushel you should not alter the price of wheat one cent per bushel. Now take the recent Ludlow strike. One cent more per yard of duty on the goods made would have saved the strike and of course raised the price to the consumer just one cent per yard.

Let us look how tariff affects the grocer's bill. Butter pays six cents profit and here it costs forty cents per pound, and in Liverpool or Nova Scotia is sold retail today at twenty-six cents. I am not saying that forty cents is too high a price for good butter, either for the farmer or grocer or consumer, if he has the money to buy it. I only state the fact that this 6 cents on butter makes it dear here and is intended to do so. The question is, have we the forty cents to pay for the article and have the English and Nova Scotia people more difficulty in getting twenty-six cents than we have in getting forty.

I saw a man the other day who had just come from London. He was wearing a rather nice-looking suit of clothes for which he paid £5 or \$25 in England. He told me that his tailor in Boston told him that \$40 was the Boston price, and no wonder. Consider the duty on raw wool, the wages paid in putting the wool into cloth, the cost of every machine as compared with England, and I do not say that \$40 is too high a price, I merely state the fact. The Boston Journal said last week that the wool schedule was a fraud and that \$15 bought a suit of clothes in England which you pay \$40 for here, and that some grades of wool are taxed from 100 to 700 per cent. If Mr. Rhodes says that this does not alter the price of wool, he is in the category of the man who says that this earth is not round but flat. The inconsistencies of tariff are ridiculous, and yet, you, my dear Editor, said not long ago, "Don't tinker with the tariff. Let it alone."

Our friend, Mr. Rhodes speaks of amusements for the people. Let us all be amused as much as possible with innocent pleasures. Would it interest you when I state that our amusements are taxed if we are poor, and if we are rich we are not taxed. For example, the working lads who play cricket have to pay a duty on "Bats." You do not make cricket bats in this country. But the rich men of the Country Club, Boston, and their cousins in New York, get curling stones free. There should be a 75 per cent duty on these stones. We have granite here to make them and the skill to do it, while as to the cricket bat, we have not the seasoned wood to make them. But such small matters as curling stones and cricket bats—trifling, not worth speaking about. I only mention a few things I know to be facts, to amuse the easily amused, who are as the poet says, "Pleased with a rattle, tickled with a straw."

Yours truly,
JOHN SAUNDERS

Andover National Bank

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the Andover National Bank will be held at their banking rooms, Tuesday, the 11th day of January, 1910, at 9.15 o'clock a. m. for the choice of Directors, and the transaction of any other business that may properly come before them.

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FREDERIC S. BOUTWELL, Clerk
December 24, 1909.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Henry Gray, late of Andover in the County of Essex, deceased intestate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased, are required to exhibit the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to

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Theatres

Colonial—"Miss Molly May."
Globe—"The Jolly Bachelors."
Park—"Van Allen's Wife."
Hollis—"A Fool There Was."
Tremont—"The Follies of 1909."
Boston—"The Circus Man."
Majestic—"The Battle."
Castle Square—"1915."

COLONIAL

Wilton Lackaye began a two weeks' engagement at the Colonial last Monday in "The Battle." The main note throughout the story of the play is "the survival of the fittest." An excellent production has been made and the supporting company is remarkably capable.

GLOBE

Low Fields' big musical production, "The Jolly Bachelors," is one of the largest theatrical productions ever sent out of New York City. It is designed as a companion piece to Mr. Fields' earlier work, "The Midnight Sons," and is as much a success as its "big brother."

HOLLIS

Remarkable indeed are the demonstrations of approval on the part of the audience of the entire cast and production of "A Fool There Was," which is playing at the Hollis street theatre. The play is intensely realistic and forceful and the pictures shown are true to life and well portrayed.

TREMONT

Miss Eva Tanguay has made a sensational success at the Tremont in "Follies of 1909." Her song, "Queen of the Jungle," is very clever as well as her baseball game at the finale of the first act.

CASTLE SQUARE

Rehearsals have been going on for some time at Castle Square in preparation for the star production of "1915," which will be given for the first time tonight. It will depict in a humorous fashion Boston and its people as they will be in six years, and is certain to excite mirth to the utmost among all who know our state capital. Among the songs here will be "The Fiddler and the Friar," "From the Cold, Frozen North," and "Germs, Germs, Germs."

BOSTON

When Jos. M. Gaites first gave to the stage "Three Twins," he entirely changed the prevailing style of musical comedy. Up to that time musical plays had depended almost entirely on their music and their choruses. In the story counting for little. In "Three Twins" Mr. Gaites gave the stage a real comedy with a musical setting, a comedy that stood alone with the musical accompaniment. Its successor is "Bright Eyes," which is to be seen at the Boston theatre beginning December 27. It is a musical version of the popular farce, "Mistakes Will Happen." Mr. Gaites has provided a most elaborate production with a number of elaborate and novel effects and a very large chorus of pretty girls. The players are headed by Cecil Lean and Florence Holbrook, two of the best known funmakers on the American stage.

Lawrence Theatres
OPERA HOUSE

A new four-act play written by Martin V. Merle, the young Californian author, and entitled "Silver Threads," will be given tomorrow afternoon and evening at the Opera House with R. J. Jose in the leading role. The play can be classed with "The Old Homestead" and "Way Down East," for it contains the atmosphere of New England home-life. The story is woven about the old song that is so well known, "Silver Threads among the Gold," and is full of heart interest and has several strong dramatic situations.

COLONIAL

The holiday bill at the Colonial is composed of some very good acts of vaudeville. The headline number is "On Stony Ground," one of the best sketches in vaudeville, presented by Lottie Williams. Quigley Bros. have an intensely interesting act in "The New Congressman." Besides these attractions there will be the Marlo trio in a bar act, Morrissey and Grant in Pianologue, Pope, the dog with the human brain, and the singing, dancing, and moving pictures.

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LAWRENCE

A regular meeting of William B. Gale lodge, 140, K. of P., was held in Sager hall Monday evening.

The paving of Water street with granite blocks by Contractor M. O'Mahoney was completed Saturday.

An important meeting of Mayflower colony, I. U. O. P. F., was held in Mayflower hall Monday evening.

The newly-elected officers of the Fr. Mathew Total Abstinence society of this city were installed Sunday afternoon.

A stirring lecture was given Sunday afternoon by William D. Haywood in Music hall on "The Class Struggle."

Special Christmas music was rendered at the morning and evening services Sunday at the Garden street M. E. church.

A pie social was enjoyed at the conclusion of the regular meeting of Good Hope lodge, 16, I. O. G. T., in Lincoln hall Monday evening.

At the advanced age of 93 years, Mrs. Sarah M. Beach died Sunday at her home, 212 Bruce street. She was the widow of Lurandus Beach.

A memorial service was held for deceased members of Lawrence council, 67, Knights of Columbus, in St. Patrick's church Sunday evening.

A very attractive program, made up of numbers characteristic of the Christmas season, was given at the Whitman School of Music Monday.

A Christmas gift of \$200 worth of wood is to be given to the needy poor by James T. Long, making his seventh annual Christmas donation.

A very painful accident happened to ex-Alderman Michael F. Scanlon Tuesday afternoon when he sustained a compound fracture of the right leg.

The F. E. H. S. A. A. held a very pleasant dancing party in Congress hall Monday evening, music being furnished by the Columbian orchestra.

Rev. John J. Gilday, the beloved and devoted pastor of St. Patrick's church, attained the 30th anniversary of his ordination as a priest on Tuesday.

A delightful social was held Monday evening in Trinity Congregational church by the Trinity Brotherhood, which proved to be a most pleasing affair.

Merrill N. Howe, the veteran real estate man, appraiser and auctioneer, a well-known man in this city, attained his 82d birthday anniversary Sunday.

The present inmates of the local county jail will be treated to a finely arranged Christmas program, to be carried out at the jail on Christmas morning.

The newly elected school physicians are Dr. Frank A. Conlon, Dr. Carl R. Moeckel, Dr. John H. Bannon, Dr. W. R. O'Connor, Dr. Myer Schwartz.

The third degree was conferred upon several candidates at the regular meeting of United Brothers lodge, 122, I. O. O. F., in Oddfellows' hall, Monday evening.

At the Second Baptist church Sunday evening the Rev. E. M. Lake delivered a most pleasing sermon on "The Making of a Living and the Making of a Life."

In an effort to keep the ice rink on the playstead in a smooth condition, Supt. Isaac Kelley and Secretary Watkins Roberts of the park department have been authorized to contract for an ice planer.

The property on Essex street at the corner of Jackson, now occupied by Henry J. Koellen, as a liquor saloon, has been purchased by him from E. J. Dreyfus, at a price of approximately \$12 per square foot.

Edgar H. Vose, organist and choir master of the Second Baptist church, was very agreeably surprised Saturday evening by receiving the gift of a beautiful framed picture of "The Roman Forum," which was presented to him by members of the choir.

Rev. James Maguire, S. J., of Boston college, and other prominent members of the Irish National Foresters, were given an enthusiastic reception at the meeting of Branch Patrick Sarsfield, 365, I. N. F., in Hibernian hall, Sunday afternoon.

In the shoplifting cases of Fannie Roberts and Mary Coakley, charged with the larceny of skirts, suits, dresses, etc., from the stores of Robertson, Sutherland Co., L. C. Moore, and Byron Truell, both defendants were adjudged guilty and sentenced to 90 days each in the House of Correction, 30 days on each of three charges.

GRANGE SCHOLARSHIP.

Ohio State Grange Offers One to the Winter Course in Agriculture. Considerable interest is already shown in the scholarship contest now on among subordinate grange representatives in Ohio, who will compete for free tuition in the Ohio State university in the winter course in agriculture and homemaking. Each young man or woman contestant shall prepare and give an oration or essay on some subject relating to agriculture or the household and read or deliver the same at the subordinate grange not later than the 1st of November. The winner at each subordinate grange shall be entitled to contest at the Pomona grange, which contest shall be not later than the 1st of December. The winner from here must compete at the state grange, provided, however, that if there is but one contestant in a grange that one shall have the same standing as though there had been others and they had won from their respective granges. We commend the idea to other state granges and suggest that at least three such scholarships should be awarded instead of one.

NORTH ANDOVER

The North Andover club is planning to keep open house Christmas day. Lawrence M. Carey, Jr., has accepted a position with the Taxicab company, Boston.

The next meeting of the Neighborhood club will take place Jan. 20 with Mrs. W. C. Boyce.

Special Christmas music will be rendered in all the local Protestant churches next Sunday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Putnam are to spend Christmas in Springfield, Conn., the home of the latter's parents.

Mrs. A. P. Currier and daughter, Miss Ethel Currier, of Prescott street, are passing the holidays in New York city.

Friday evening, a pleasing program with a Christmas tree was carried out at the schoolhouse in the Pond district.

The post office will be open from 8 to 10 a. m. next Saturday. There will be only one collection and one delivery.

The M. E. vestry was the scene of a successful sale, supper and entertainment of the Ladies' Aid society, Friday evening.

Miss Esther A. Boyce, a student at Middlebury college, Vt., is passing the holiday recess at her home, in the Farnham district.

Christmas greetings have been received by local friends from Miss Esther M. Nutting who is at the present time in Florence, Italy.

Master John O'Brien has accepted a position as a special delivery messenger at the local post-office during the Christmas holidays.

Tuesday evening the local grange listened to the reports from the delegates to the State Grange meeting recently held in Springfield.

In order to accommodate the large congregations who are to attend services in St. Michael's Christmas Day, there will be three masses.

Leon R. Hamlin, a travelling salesman for the Red Seal Lye company, in New York, will arrive home Thursday, to spend the holidays.

Miss Margaret F. Tracey, instructor of No. 4 school, at North Salem village, is spending the holidays with her parents at Georgetown, Mass.

The ladies of Harmony lodge, I. O. G. T., entertained the gentlemen members following the regular business meeting of the lodge Wednesday evening.

The eighth annual concert of the Johnson High school chorus, assisted by the High school orchestra, given in Stevens hall, Friday evening, was a pronounced success.

The monthly meeting of the Neighborhood club was a very interesting one, which took place with the president, Mrs. J. W. Coe, at Boston Hill farm, in the Farnham district.

THE OLD AND THE NEW.

Farmers Must Co-operate if They Would Succeed.

The hardest rub for the farmers of today, says J. L. Bennett of Piscataqua Pomona grange, Maine, is that they are sending a good portion of their money to the west for flour and feed. If the farmer is going into the dairy business he ought to raise his feed, the most of it, in order to make his business pay. Our taxes are high, and we must live. The potato crop is all that has saved us. Many of the farmers could not have paid their bills without them. I can see only one way for the farmers to better their condition and that is to co-operate. The granges must combine and work for the benefit of the whole. If the farmers must have so much feed from the west, combine and send for it by the carload. It will pay. It has been tried. They have organized in Worcester county, Mass., and sent out west and bought their feed by the carload, and they also sent to Kansas and bought a carload of flour and saved the grangers a dollar on a barrel. On the whole they saved the Patrons over \$2,000 in six months. Patrons have been practicing co-operation at Houlton, the largest grange in the state, for a number of years with perfect satisfaction. Co-operation and associations are the needs of the hour.

Farmer Versus Banker.

A feature of the Williams Grove (Pa.) picnic last summer was a debate between Leslie M. Shaw, former governor of Iowa and ex-secretary of the treasury, and John A. McSparran of the Pennsylvania state grange legislative committee upon the grange's position upon a number of public questions. From authentic reports reaching this office the farmer proved more than a match for the banker, completely demolishing the ex-cabinet member's argument against direct nominations, direct legislation and election of United States senators by direct vote.—National Stockman.

A Profitable Enterprise.

The Johnson County (Kan.) Co-operative association has, from the small beginning in 1876 with a capital of \$900, at the end of its thirty-second year increased its capital to \$100,000 and has made sales to the amount of \$7,228,003.44, with a net profit to the stockholders of \$471,919.82.

Corn In Cornerstone.

In laying the cornerstone of one of the new college buildings at the Missouri station a perfect ear of corn was placed in the cornerstone. It would be interesting to know whether those who open that stone generations hence will have improved on that corn.

METHUEN

The annual Christmas tree exercises will be held at the Baptist church tonight.

Frank J. O'Brien, an instructor in the Portsmouth, N. H., schools, is in town for a fortnight's vacation.

Tuesday evening the lady members of Harmony lodge, I. O. G. T., will be entertained by the gentlemen.

The engagement of Miss Anna L. Korta of Chicago, Ill., and Henry T. Lea, Jr., of this town is announced.

The officers and committees were elected at the Young People's society of the Baptist church Sunday night.

J. Milton Tenney left Tuesday to spend the holidays with his daughter, Mrs. Robert MacDonald, in Brooklyn, N. Y.

The first of a series of ladies' nights by the Methuen Cricket club took place in Oddfellows' hall Saturday evening.

Miss Lillian Bottomley died Sunday at the Lawrence General hospital, where she recently underwent an operation.

Special exercises were held Friday afternoon by pupils of Miss Rachel S. Corless and Miss Bessie Cunliffe, Arlington school.

Mr. and Mrs. Alden Bachelder of Reading have been visiting at the Birchies, the residence of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Farnum.

At the P. S. A. meeting at the Y. M. C. A. building, Sunday, Ira Hale Allen of Taunton spoke, his subject being: "The Guide Book."

The Farther Lights society of the Baptist church will conduct an entertainment and sale in the town hall Friday evening, February 18.

The son of Dr. F. B. Flanders of Lawrence figured in an exciting runaway on Pleasant street, near Marston corner, Saturday afternoon.

A social and spelling bee took place at the Baptist church Friday evening. After the spelling bee various kinds of games were played, and a general good time enjoyed.

A successful supper and sale took place in the town hall Friday evening under the auspices of the Ladies' Social union of the Gleason Memorial Universalist church.

On Friday evening, December 31, there will be a concert by the male quartet of Boston University, in the M. E. church, under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society.

Thurlow Gordon, a student at the Harvard Law School, is detained at the private Baptist hospital, Roxbury, where he underwent an operation for a knee trouble last week.

George E. Macfarlane of Broadway, a senior at University of Pennsylvania, has been elected representative to the National convention of the Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity which meets in Washington, D. C.

Sentiment was strongly and surely against the proposed charter of Methuen, at the meeting of voters on Monday evening. Another meeting will be held on Wednesday evening of next week at the town hall.

The hose and ladder companies of the fire department have voted to give \$25 for a free bed at the Lawrence General hospital for a year, to be occupied by either sick or disabled members of these companies.

The funeral of Mrs. Austin W. Pinney was held Saturday at the home of her son, E. E. Pinney, Marsh corner. Rev. W. B. Locke officiated. Burial was in Walnut Grove cemetery. Mrs. Pinney was aged 80, and had been a resident of this town most of her life.

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ESSEX COUNTY

James Russell, father of the Seven Russells, who do a vaudeville act, was tried in the Newburyport court for alleged violation of the child labor law.

The Haverhill council has recently passed a new ordinance by which the draw of the Haverhill bridge is to be opened at noon time.

Because she feared tuberculosis, Miss Annie E. Colburn of Haverhill ended her life by suiciding with gas. Her body was found in the bathroom of the home in which she resided.

Francis J. Fitzgerald, the lad who rang in a false alarm in Lynn, was fined \$25.

The Harvard club of Newburyport has voted to establish a scholarship of \$150 a year for boys living in that city, Newbury and West Newbury.

The Haverhill school board has voted to give the teachers who are getting \$600 a year an increase of \$50 per year, the increase to take effect January 1.

Mrs. Martin Ryan made a thrilling rescue of her four children at a fire in her home at Astor street, Lynn.

Frank LeBreux, a former freight brakeman on the B. & M. in Saugus, has sued the railroad for \$5000 for serious injuries received in an accident.

Who Were Your Ancestors?
Do You Know?

If you wished to join one of the patriotic societies could you reply to the questions that would be asked about your ancestry? The Genealogical department of the Boston Transcript, the great clearing house of genealogical data, appears twice a week, on Monday and Wednesday. With the aid of this department you would without doubt be able to locate that missing ancestor. This department has correspondents in all parts of the country as well as many in foreign lands, and information is frequently received that is practically impossible to obtain by any other means.

Send for sample copies. In them you will find full directions regarding the use of the column and you may chance on just the information you have been seeking.

BALLARDVALE.

UNION CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
Rev. Augustus H. Fuller, Pastor.
SERVICES FOR NEXT WEEK
10.30 a.m. Worship with sermon by the pastor.
Sunday school to follow.
2.30 p.m. Meeting of the Juniors.
6.00 p.m. P. S. C. E.
7.00 p.m. Praise service, with address by pastor.
7.30 p.m. Thursday. Prayer meeting.
METHODIST EPISCOPAL CHURCH
Rev. E. D. Lane, Pastor.
SERVICES FOR NEXT WEEK
10.30 a.m. Worship with sermon by the pastor.
Sunday school to follow.
6.30 p.m. Christmas concert.
7.30 p.m. Thursday. Prayer meeting.

Aileen Miller is ill with tonsillitis.
Mrs. Martha White of Westboro is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Smith.
The Methodist Christmas concert will be held Sunday evening at 6.30 o'clock.
Mrs. John Howell of Andover spent Friday with friends in the Vale.
Mrs. Warren Kendall of Somerville spent Friday with Mr. and Mrs. Willis B. Hodgkins.
During John Haggerty's absence from town Walter Oldroyd substituted for him at the Engine House.
Howard Wilson of Lawrence is spending several weeks with his grand parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Teague.
Miss Kate Hickey of Lowell was the guest over Sunday of her sister, Mrs. Joseph Lynch.
Miss Mary J. McIntyre and Edward York were married December 7 in Andover by Rev. Frank R. Shipman.
E. F. Ruggles of Baltimore, Md., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Willis B. Hodgkins.
There will be a family re-union Christmas Day at the home of Mrs. Emily H. Swift, High street.
The Thimble club met last Monday at the home of Mrs. Leon E. Knox, River street.

Ballard Vale Lodge will be represented at the mid-winter festival to be held in K. of P. Hall, Lawrence, January 29.
A delegation from Ballard Vale Lodge will attend the meeting of Primrose Lodge, Lawrence, next Wednesday evening.
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Conway of Brockton spent Sunday with the former's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Conway.
Linwood A. Fuller of Everett was the guest over Sunday of Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Fuller.
Miss Maud Chamberlain of Boston was the guest over Sunday of Mrs. William Shaw.
Newton Russell of Somersworth, N.H., has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Elwyn Teague.
Clarke Morrison of Lawrence spent Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Mary Morrison, Andover street.
Leon B. Kendall of Dartmouth college is home with his parents for the holiday recess.
Mrs. Annie Littlewood and daughter, Miss Claudia Littlewood, were the guests Wednesday of the former's sister, Mrs. Richard Duffie of Kossindale.
Mrs. Bertie Rathbun, a member of Ballard Vale Lodge, sailed Tuesday afternoon from Boston to her home in Lower Blomidon, Nova Scotia.

At the meeting of Ballard Vale Lodge held Monday evening, detailed reports were given by those who were present at the institution of Andover Lodge, No. 26, last Saturday evening.
The Congregational Ladies' Aid society will hold a meeting and supper in the church vestry next Friday evening, December 31. Supper will be served at 6.45 o'clock. An interesting entertainment has been prepared. All members and those who wish to become members are cordially invited to be present.

Rev. and Mrs. A. H. Fuller attended the silver wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Harris of Randolph, Friday, December 17. Mr. Harris is a cousin of the Rev. A. H. Fuller, who performed the wedding ceremony 25 years ago. The happy couple were assisted in receiving by Mr. and Mrs. Fuller. Many valuable gifts of silver attested the high esteem in which Mr. and Mrs. Harris are held by a large circle of friends.

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BALLARD VALE

November Club Lecture

Dr. Bowker, who is the next attraction in the November club series, has been re-engaged to present his Portugal in New York, by the board of education of Greater New York, making the twelfth consecutive year he has been so secured.
Indeed during the last few years he has been so much in Washington, Baltimore, Philadelphia and New York that he has had less time for dates near at hand. His travelogues are entirely original and he spends months in their preparation and painting of views before they are given to the public. This new one of Portugal trends new and fascinating ground and has been a huge success in the larger cities.

Dr. Bowker never forgets that it is largely to Andover and the late Prof. Churchill that he owes much of his success. Prof. Churchill was an admirer of his work and did much to secure engagements for Dr. Bowker when he was new to the public.
Dr. Bancroft was equally kind and for some years introduced Dr. Bowker's lectures to the large schools of the country.



Dr. Bowker

An Exciting Rescue

What might have resulted in a bad drowning accident was averted by the presence of mind and prompt action of Joseph Stewart and Stephen Sullivan of Red Spring road Wednesday afternoon, on the Shawheen river near the mouth of Stony brook, when Daniel Gillespie, a boy about twelve years old, residing in the village, was skating. He broke through the ice and was down for the second time. Meanwhile, Sullivan, hearing the cry for help, threw himself at full length on the ice and caught the boy just as he was going under, but the ice gave way again and they were both in the water. At this point Stewart followed the example of Sullivan, and succeeded in getting hold of the latter's hand, and the ice gave way for the third time and all three were in a perilous position, but fortunately Stewart went down near the bank, so he got a footing on the bottom of the river and was successful in pulling the others ashore. Happily, nothing more serious than a thorough wetting for the young men and the boy resulted from what a few minutes before looked like a very serious matter.

Second R. C. O. A. Entertainment

The R. C. O. A. will give the second of their entertainments in the town hall, Friday evening, December 31. The entertainers will be the talented artists who compose the Strathmore company, and a varied and meritorious program will be offered.

Ashton Lewis, violin virtuoso, is a composer of note, among his best compositions being the "Firefly Dance," and a recent violin concerto dedicated to C. Saint-Saens. The press and musical critics unite in pronouncing him an artist of great power. Miss Margaret Chaffee, the reader, was educated at a southern college, then came to Boston, where she has been closely identified with the Boston schools and colleges of oratory. She has a personal acquaintance with many of the southern writers, such as Joel Chandler Harris, who was known as "Uncle Remus," and Frank L. Stanton of the Atlanta Constitution. She interprets their original stories and poems in a most delightful manner, with a striking personality, a good stage presence, and a voice of wonderful sweetness and power. She is equally at home in the rendition of pathetic and humorous selections. Ethel Henderson Hurd, pianist and accompanist, is an artist of unusual brilliancy and it is safe to say that her piano numbers will be one of the features of the program. She is a composer of a book of kindergarten songs, now in use in the public schools of Massachusetts.

Valuable Stock Farm

The Boston Globe of Thursday publishes the following story of the sale of a West Andover farm that is of interest to Townsman readers.
"The valuable property known as the Goldsmith stock farm, situated on West Parish road, Andover, Essex county, has been sold through the Chapin farm agency for Thomas Perkins, the purchaser being E. A. Bliss of South Dakota. It comprises 200 acres of land, with a modern two-story mansion house of 14 rooms, immense stock barn, stables, grain houses and various other outbuildings, including cottage for farmer of six rooms, and extensive poultry plant. It is estimated that over \$40,000 has been expended upon the buildings alone. The property is one of the most extensively known stock farms in Essex county, and there is also a large tract of wood and timber, apple orchard of 500 trees, trout brooks and fine pasturage. Mr. Bliss will make extensive improvements, and occupy. Included in the sale is the entire farm outfit. The sale is considered one of the most important

in farm property closed in this section in some time. The purchase price figures well up into the thousands of dollars.

A Revolutionary Puzzle

These odd rhymes were written in the early part of the Revolutionary war—about 1776. If read as written they are a tribute to the king and his army, but if read downward on either side of the comma they indicate an unmistakable spirit of rebellion to both king and parliament. The author is unknown:
Hark, hark the trumpet sounds, the din of war's alarms
O'er seas and solid grounds, doth call us all to arms
Who for King George doth stand, their honors soon shall shine,
Their ruin is at hand, who with the congress join.
The acts of parliament, in them I much delight,
I hate their cursed intent, who for the congress fight.
The Tories of the day, they are my daily toast,
They soon will sneak away, who independence boast,
Who nonresistant hold, they have my hand and heart,
May they for slaves be sold, who act the Whiggish part.
On Mansfield, North and Bute, may daily blessings pour,
Confusion and dispute, on congress evermore,
To North and British lord, may honors still be done,
I wish a block and cord, to General Washington.

Andover Club Victorious

At a match between the Andover club and the Knights of Pythias Wednesday evening, the former team was victorious by a score of 1255 to 1151.

ANDOVER CLUB			
Roggemann	96	101	74 271
Flanders	88	100	83 271
Cole	82	72	68 222
Dane	88	78	71 237
Lindsay	82	75	97 254
Totals	436	426	393 1255

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS			
Whitten	67	85	56 208
Stanchfield	79	80	60 228
Hutcheson	79	58	80 217
Smith	86	80	74 240
Riley	88	88	82 258
Total	399	391	361 1151

The Andover club will bowl the Trimmers Monday, December 27 on the Essex street alley. A close game is expected as the last time these teams bowled together, the Andover club team won by only one pin.

R. C. O. A. Won

The R. C. O. A. bowling team won two out of three strings and the total in a match with the Trimmers on the Essex street alleys Wednesday evening. George Saunders of the R. C. O. A. team was high roller with 263 for a total, including a single string of 96.

Charles Flanders and James Anderson served as umpires.

R. C. O. A.			
Lindsay	72	81	84 237
Hammond	63	86	80 234
Saunders	96	77	90 263
Hardy	82	83	86 251
Sellers	74	86	77 237
Totals	387	413	425 1226

TRIMMERS			
Ryley	77	79	88 244
Ralph	87	84	83 254
Ross	79	80	72 231
Donald	79	81	91 251
Warden	81	71	70 158
Smith			70
Totals	403	401	404 1208

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